

# ReadingKEY Vocabulary Test

**DIRECTIONS:** The ReadingKEY Vocabulary Test is an excellent tool to determine student mastery of the week’s reading vocabulary words. While each box contains 7 words, only 4 words will be tested (16 total). Answers can be selected from the box at the top of each column. Use “definition clues” to test mastery of the words. For example, a *definition clue* for the word “**jump**” could be – “*You are doing this when you hop up and down.*” Definition clues can also be antonyms, synonyms or the definition itself, however, the “riddle” definition clue (as shown above) provides the greatest motivation and benefit for students. For some words, it may be difficult to think of a definition clue, in this case, simply call out the list word. For more information on the power of “Definition Clues” see – [www.readingkey.com/definitionclues](http://www.readingkey.com/definitionclues).

**SCORING:** There are 20 questions on the test. Each correct answer can receive a maximum score of 5 points (5x20=100). Words written exceptionally “messy” or difficult to read may lose 1 point. Each sentence in the sentence writing activity for #17 through 20 is scored from 1-5 points based on the quality of the sentence. Sentences that help readers understand the meaning of the word will be scored higher, as well as sentences that begin with nouns, verbs or the word “*The*.” Two of the “Sentence Writing” words are taken from the previous lesson so students should be encouraged to review these words as well.

Monday
nation
national
station
instruction
combination
selection
description

Tuesday
discussion
confusion
erosion
conclusion
explosion
compassion
tension

Wednesday
fearful
skillful
successful
peaceful
meaningful
merciful
plentiful

Thursday
available
dependable
understandable
pleasurable
profitable
desirable
reasonable

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| 1. _____ | 5. _____ | 9. _____  | 13. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 6. _____ | 10. _____ | 14. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 7. _____ | 11. _____ | 15. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 8. _____ | 12. _____ | 16. _____ |

**Sentence Writing:** Put each word into a meaningful sentence. Sentences must use at least 7 or more words to be given maximum credit. To receive a higher score, sentences should begin with nouns, verbs or the word “*The*.” Neatness counts!

17. erosion: \_\_\_\_\_
18. merciful: \_\_\_\_\_
19. dishonest: \_\_\_\_\_
20. explanation: \_\_\_\_\_