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Vocabulary Building Worksheet – Level VI – Week 17A

hardship	barbarian	cartoonist	archeological	faraway	Spartan
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DEFINITIONS: Numbers 1 through 7 show definitions of the list words. Select the correct word that matches the definition from the two words at the end of each line and write it in the blank space provided.

1. Something difficult to go through because of suffering – lack of comfort: _____ (faraway, hardship)
2. A fierce, brutal or cruel person – also, used in an insulting way by the Greeks to describe people speaking other languages which they could not understand: _____ (barbarian, cartoonist)
3. Someone who draws humorous characters of interest: _____ (Spartan, cartoonist)
4. Related to the study of human culture by examining ancient objects: _____ (Spartan, archeological)
5. Not close – distant: _____ (faraway, hardship)
6. Someone who lived in this ancient Greek city around 6th century B.C. _____ (faraway, Spartan)

DEFINITION CLUES: Choose the word that best goes with the statement or riddle. Write it in the blank space provided.

7. This job requires the person to have a sense of humor and artistic talent: _____
8. Ancient Greeks gave this name to anyone speaking a language they couldn't understand: _____
9. A child living alone in the streets in Africa would most likely be experiencing this: _____
10. If you lived in the city of Sparta (near Athens) during the 6th century B.C., you would be this: _____
11. If your job was to excavate ancient ruins, you would be involved in this type of study: _____
12. You would use this adjective to show something was distant in time or space: _____

FILL-IN-THE-BLANK: Read the sentence. Choose the vocabulary word that best goes in the blank space provided.

13. The **Battle of Marathon** is a famous battle that took place in 490 B.C between Persia and Greece. It was an attempt by King Darlus of Persia to conquer Athens, Greece and pull them into the Persian Empire. A Persian armada of 600 ships brought an invasion force of about 20,000 men onto Greek soil just north of Athens. Athens organized 10,000 warriors to defend their territory. The Athens general, named **Miltiades**, outnumbered 2 to 1, used an unusual attack strategy. They made a line of men the same length as the Persian Army and began a full running attack. In the end, an estimated 6,400 Persians were slaughtered while only 192 Greeks were killed. The Greeks used a word to describe the many different people they encountered whose language appeared to be a “babbling” of sounds. They called them _____.
14. The **Plymouth Colony** in North America was started by English Pilgrims who sailed on the Mayflower in 1620. Nearly half of the original 102 passengers died during their first winter in Plymouth. Imagine how difficult it would be to move somewhere new without housing, electricity, or running water. Food had to be grown by them. This type of _____ could certainly explain the high death rate.
15. The Mayflower traveled approximately 4000 miles from England to America in 1620. It took 2 months to make this journey. If you were in England, America would be considered a _____ place.
16. The city of **Sparta**, near Athens, Greece, placed great emphasis on military strength. At birth, a boy was inspected by the elders. If he appeared too weakly for future military service, he was taken into the mountains and abandoned. If he was fit at age 7 he was taken away from his mother to begin rigorous military training. A person who lived in Sparta was called a _____.
17. If you ever desire to explore ancient sites, you need to vacation in Mexico. On the **Yucatan Peninsula** are many ancient wonders. Founded in 495 A.D., **Chichen Itaza** is a completely restored site of columned structures and warrior images. Tulum is the only beachfront city the Maya ever built. It contains 60 buildings. These are just two of many Mexican _____ sites that have been excavated.
18. Imagine going to work and being paid to draw pictures of fictional characters doing silly things. If you have talent in drawing, along with a sharp mind and sense of humor, you too could be a _____.

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Vocabulary Building Worksheet – Level VI – Week 17B

murder	disturbing	suburbs	churn	endure	ensure
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DEFINITIONS: Numbers 1 through 7 show definitions of the list words. Select the correct word that matches the definition from the two words at the end of each line and write it in the blank space provided.

1. Making one feel uneasy or upset: _____ (murder, disturbing)
2. To make butter by the shaking of cream: _____ (endure, churn)
3. The killing of another human being under conditions covered in law: _____ (murder, churn)
4. To make sure – to guarantee: _____ (ensure, endure)
5. To carry on with something, despite hardships: _____ (endure, ensure)
6. A residential area or community outside the city: _____ (churn, suburbs)

DEFINITION CLUES: Choose the word that best goes with the statement or riddle. Write it in the blank space provided.

7. If you had a cow, you could make your own butter by doing this with cream from milk: _____
8. Many people choose to live here because it is quieter and has more space than the city: _____
9. A person that does this typically spends over 30 years in jail: _____
10. Reading about events in history in which people suffered generates this feeling: _____
11. If you are in prison for committing a crime, you have no choice but to do this with your sentence: _____
12. If you mailed an important letter to a friend, you would want to make sure it was received: _____

FILL-IN-THE-BLANK: Read the sentence. Choose the vocabulary word that best goes in the blank space provided.

13. Social Security is a government program designed to provide financial assistance when you reach old-age. Once you begin working, you'll notice that a small percentage of your pay-check (about 6% in the U.S. in 1999) will be taken out and put into your Social Security fund. Once you reach retirement age, you'll then start receiving this money back. Social Security began on a national level in 1935 as part of President Roosevelt's New Deal program. Prior to 1935, some people reached retirement with no money saved, causing great hardship. Social Security will _____ senior citizens have at least some money.
14. The consequences for killing another human being can be severe, no matter what your age. On November 28, 2001, a 12 year old boy named Christopher Pittman shot his grandparents as they slept in bed. After his trial, he was found guilty of _____ and will spend 30 long years in jail.
15. After World War II, the populations of communities outside the city exploded. Veterans returning from the war did not want to live in the city. Also, living in the city became increasingly more expensive since businesses were growing and they needed real estate in the city to conduct business. These and other factors contributed to the dramatic increase in people moving away from the city. In fact, 1950 was the first year in the United States in which more people lived in the _____ than in the city.
16. Butter can be made by agitating the cream part of milk. The agitation causes the fat globules to clump together. A mechanical device called a _____ can accomplish this process easily.
17. Asthma is a disease of the respiratory system that results in the closing of a person's airways, thereby making breathing extremely difficult. Unfortunately, the rate of asthma is growing. In April 2002, researchers at the Karolinska Institute in Sweden looked at statistics for cancer and asthma in Sweden and throughout the world. They found that in 1955, asthma occurred in about 1% of the population – in 1970, about 2% of the population had asthma - in 1980, about 3% – in 1990 about 5% had asthma and in 1995, over 8% of all children had asthma. This decade by decade increase in asthma is quite _____ and suggests other causes may be worsening the disease.
18. If other causes are suspected of increasing the likelihood of asthma, they need to be identified and removed as an asthma attack is difficult to _____ for any child or adult.

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Vocabulary Building Worksheet – Level VI – Week 17C

transpiration	resurrection	excursion	mechanization	expression	administration
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DEFINITIONS: Numbers 1 through 7 show definitions of the list words. Select the correct word that matches the definition from the two words at the end of each line and write it in the blank space provided.

1. In mathematics, a combination of symbols representing a value: _____ (expression, excursion)
2. The process by which a plant loses water by evaporation: _____ (excursion, transpiration)
3. To use machinery to perform a task previously done by hand: _____ (mechanization, excursion)
4. The act of rising from the dead, as demonstrated by Jesus Christ: _____ (excursion, resurrection)
5. The group that manages any office, business or organization: _____ (administration, excursion)
6. A short trip or outing some place, often a special occasion: _____ (excursion, expression)

DEFINITION CLUES: Choose the word that best goes with the statement or riddle. Write it in the blank space provided.

7. The Industrial Revolution between 1750 and 1850 resulted in an increase in this: _____
8. A mathematical statement that shows two things are the same using an “=” sign is this: _____
9. If someone died and came back to life it would be an example of this: _____
10. Trees and plants pull up water through their roots and lose it out the leaves by this process: _____
11. If you took your family our for a Saturday picnic to the beach you could call it this: _____
12. The executive branch of the U.S. government headed by the president is called this: _____

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13. **Judaism** is the religion of the Jewish people. The Jewish population worldwide was estimated at about 13 million people in 2007. 41% of those of the Jewish faith live in Israel. While Judaism and **Christianity** have many similar beliefs, Judaism does not believe that Jesus Christ (as described in the New Testament) was the son of God, and therefore, do not believe the _____ of Jesus took place after his death.
14. Certain mathematical formulas can be used to find answers for specific math problems. For example, the area of a circle can be calculated by multiplying 3.14 (also called “pi”) by the radius squared of a circle. Of course, you remember that the radius is the distance halfway across the middle of a circle and to “square” something means to multiply it by itself. Therefore, to find the area of a circle with a radius of 7 inches we would write the _____ $3.14 \times 7 \times 7$.
15. A full grown tree can lose over 100 gallons of water every day through evaporation. All plants get nutrients by pulling water up through their roots and transporting it through their **vascular system** to the individual cells. The water contains dissolved nitrogen and various minerals essential for plant survival. On the underside of a leaf is a tiny opening (or pore) called a **stoma**. This fascinating structure has the job of taking in carbon dioxide and eliminating water through the process known as _____.
16. To help keep the United States president knowledgeable on many important issues, he can get advice from people who are members of what is called “the **Cabinet**.” Members of the Cabinet include the **Secretary of State** (who advises the president on foreign policy) - Secretary of Treasury (who advises the president on financial matters) – **Secretary of Defense** – Secretary of Education – and several other cabinet positions. Each time a new president comes into office he or she can appoint new people to cabinet positions. Since opinions and views vary greatly among people, the president typically wants people in his cabinet who share similar beliefs to his. Since the president, vice president and cabinet members work together to organize and manage government policies, they are often referred to as the _____.
17. **Pula** is a city in the northwest corner of the Balkan Peninsula. Paula was captured by the Romans in 178 B.C. It has many well-preserved Roman ruins. Visiting the famous Roman amphitheater and temple of Augustus and Roma make an excellent _____ when visiting the area.

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Vocabulary Building Worksheet – Level VI – Week 17D

characteristics	Maryland	Merrimack	Paris	terrace	terror
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DEFINITIONS: Numbers 1 through 7 show definitions of the list words. Select the correct word that matches the definition from the two words at the end of each line and write it in the blank space provided.

1. Different features that identify or describe something: _____ (Paris, characteristics)
2. The first wood ship that was covered in iron for protection: _____ (Merrimack, Maryland)
3. The largest city in France that is also the capital of France: _____ (Maryland, Paris)
4. Intense fear: _____ (terror, terrace)
5. A flat elevated floor space (or land), surrounded by sloping front or sides: _____ (terror, terrace)
6. An eastern central state in the U.S. - one of the original 13 colonies: _____ (Paris, Maryland)

DEFINITION CLUES: Choose the word that best goes with the statement or riddle. Write in the blank space provided.

7. If we said the person was tall, had brown eyes and dark hair, we would be describing this: _____
8. This ship was rebuilt by the Confederates to be the first iron covered (ironclad) ship: _____
9. This city in France was the focus point for the French Revolution in 1789: _____
10. You would feel this if you observed the killing of friends and family in an attack: _____
11. During the Civil War, residents of this state fought for both the Union and Confederacy: _____
12. This part of a building would only be enjoyable during nice weather: _____

FILL-IN-THE-BLANK: Read the sentence. Choose the vocabulary word that best goes in the blank space provided.

13. Early warships were made of wood, and therefore, quite vulnerable to enemy attack from exploding shells or fire. This changed during the U.S. Civil War. The Confederates created a new ship from parts of an old one destroyed by the Union Army. Their new ship was called an ironclad. An ironclad ship was a wooden ship covered with metal armor to protect it from enemy fire. The first battle between two ironclad ships occurred in 1862. The Union ship, called the Monitor, fought the Confederate ironclad for 4 hours ending in a draw (no winner). The Confederate ironclad ship was named _____.
14. The 10 year French Revolution began in 1789. It was a period of serious political and social problems. . During this time the French government went through radical changes. Many factors contributed to the Revolution including – near bankruptcy from wars fought by King Louis the 15th – lack of social services for war veterans – unfair taxes – high unemployment – high bread prices and widespread famine and malnutrition. On August 10, 1792, the King and Queen were taken prisoners. Their French monarchy, located in the city of _____, was suspended and a Republic established.
15. After the overthrow of the French monarchy, a Convention was set up to establish the republic. Instead of a democracy, however, the Convention established a war dictatorship which was basically the efforts of a few men to govern the country and wage war in a time of crisis. From 1793-1794, this new French dictatorship began killing large numbers of people believed to be enemies of the new government. Thousands of people were beheaded by guillotine and over 200,000 arrested. Because of the horrible abuses that occurred during this time it is known in history as the “Reign of _____.”
16. People are different everywhere. Some are tall – some short – some light – some not so light. Some outgoing – some shy. Some people are ambitious – some lazy. These are all human _____.
17. When the U.S. Civil War began in 1861 it was easy for most states to choose sides. States with high numbers of slaves and plantations usually sided with the Confederates. However, some states had a more difficult time choosing sides. For example, one state in 1860 had about 87,000 slaves, but businessmen had special interests in siding with the Union. This was the eastern state of _____.
18. Buildings with limited space may build a _____ on top to provide more room.