

UNIT 10 VOCABULARY

propitiate

beguiled

rancor

suppress

marginalize

philanthropy

WORDS IN CONTEXT: In the space provided, write the letter of the meaning closest to that of each **boldfaced** word. Use the context of the sentences to help you figure out each word’s meaning.

1.) propitiate [verb]

- It is a vision of tribes who worship together, **propitiate** the gods together, and die together.
- Some Students try to **propitiate** their teacher by saying sorry, but that doesn’t really work. If you are bad, you are bad.

_____ **propitiate** means a. appease b. agitate c. irritate

2.) beguiled [verb]

- “She played a young woman hired to **beguile** a man, a natural fit for the natural beauty.”
- The trusting, old man was **beguiled** of money by his step-son’s sham.

_____ **beguile** means a. give b. be honest c. deceive

3.) rancor [noun]

- The **rancor** between Melly and the two bad boys led to her becoming cynical.
- Feeling **rancor** toward one’s oppressors is understandable but not healthy in the long run.

_____ **rancor** means a. friendship b. grudge c. kindness

4.) suppress [verb]

- But not even the threat of death can **suppress** the urge to live vicariously through Spiderman and James Bond.
- In order to lose weight to make it on the wrestling team, I had to suppress my hunger for three months.

_____ **suppress** means a. overcome b. allow c. encourage

5.) marginalize [verb]

- Women have felt **marginalized** throughout history. They did not always have the right to vote, and they still do not earn as much money as men who hold the same position.
- Native Americans are **marginalized**. Their traditions and way of life has never really been respected.

_____ **marginalize** means a. praise b. promote c. diminish

6.) philanthropy [noun]

- Giving money to the poor is an act of **philanthropy**.
- The Bill Gates Foundation is characterized by acts of **philanthropy**.

_____ **philanthropy** means a. generosity b. injury c. greed

- _____ : to make favorably inclined; appease; conciliate
- _____ : to influence by trickery; to take away from by cheating or deceiving
- _____ : bitter resentment or ill will; hatred
- _____ : to put an end to, especially forcibly; prevent from being done, seen, heard or known
- _____ : to make or treat as insignificant; minority cultures have often been marginalized by majority cultures
- _____ : concern for fellow humans, especially through gifts that encourage and promote social welfare

SENTENCE CHECK 1: Using the answer lines provided, complete each item below with **two** words from the box. Use each word once.

1. The Montague and Capulet family’s _____ goes back for so many generations that neither family even knows why they hate the other.
2. The Bill Gates’ Foundation is an example of _____ as it helps and benefits humankind.
3. Although the Prince tried to _____ the constant feuding between the Montague and Capulet families, it took the deaths of Romeo and Juliet to finally do it.
4. In *The Pearl*, the native culture was _____ by their conquerors, the Spanish.
5. After Odysseus’s men killed the sacred cattle on Helios’s island, they tried to _____ by offering Helios a sacrifice of his best cow and a promise to build a shrine for his cattle when they returned home.
6. The Sirens _____ men on passing ships with their beautiful voices and singing.

FINAL CHECK –Read the following selection carefully. Fill in each blank with the correct vocabulary word. Context clues will help you figure out which word goes in which blank. Use each word once.

1. Many people groups are _____ by the dominant culture. They just don’t have the same voice as others.
2. At the same time these people groups feel _____. They do not get the same opportunities to advance in society.
3. Unfortunately, these situations often breed _____ among the minority towards the majority.
4. Once in a while the majority group tries to _____ the minority by giving in to some of their demands and by showing some _____ towards them.
5. Sometimes this works out well. At other times, this kind of gesture by the majority culture makes the minority feel _____.

VOCABULARY STORY – Write a story **that makes sense** using all of the words from unit 1. Use **one word per sentence** and **underline or highlight** each vocabulary word. Be sure to use the **correct part of speech** for each word. Each sentence should have **context clues/synonyms** that help explain what the word means.

VOCABULARY PICTURES – Write the **vocabulary word** and copy the definition exactly, including the **part of speech**. Then write the **definition in your own words**. Finally, create a **drawing** to represent the definition and **color** it. If the picture is not colored the highest possible grade is a C.
