

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.) **disingenuous** [adjective]

- Is such **disingenuous** flattery really going to boost a person's confidence?
 - While Catherine pretended to be trustworthy, she was in reality a **disingenuous** woman who would do whatever it took to get her way.
 - It would be **disingenuous** to imply that such funds would solve the problem in education.
- _____ **disingenuous** means a. frank b. sincere c. deceitful

2.) **solace** [noun]

- The minister's visit was the dying man's only **solace**.
 - Sometimes a moment of laughter gives **solace** to a sick person.
- _____ **solace** means a. consolation b. discord c. turmoil

3.) **unpretentious** [adjective]

- Annabelle is described by friends as vivacious, smart and **unpretentious**.
 - The rooms at this **unpretentious** place are ordinary but reasonably large and well-kept.
- _____ **unpretentious** means a. proud b. humble c. bold

4.) **melancholy** [adjective]

- Next week is our last full week together before I head back to Iraq, and we all are **melancholy**.
 - He had no successful military experience, no formal education, and suffered from depression and **melancholy** all his life.
- _____ **melancholy** means a. sunny b. somber c. cheerful

5.) **irresolute** [adjective]

- When it comes to key decisions, he has been distracted and **irresolute**.
 - Both dances suffered from strangely **irresolute** choreography and performance.
- _____ **irresolute** means a. doubtful b. determined c. definite

6.) **malicious** [adjective]

- Sidney, in a fit of **malicious** mischief, dumped a whole box of detergent into her washer.
 - The accidental delinquent acts impulsively and without **malicious** forethought.
- _____ **malicious** means a. nice b. forgiving c. malevolent

- _____ : crafty, not straightforward, sneaky
- _____ : comfort during time of sorrow or disease
- _____ : modest; lacking pretention
- _____ : sadness, depression, gloom; thoughtful reflection
- _____ : unsure of how to act, undecided; indecisive
- _____ : with evil intent

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

1. The _____ student misrepresented his grades and was thus given a chance to run for an ASB office when he should not have had that opportunity.
2. The killer looked at his victim with a _____ gleam in his eye.
3. After killing Tybalt, Romeo seeks _____ in the church with Friar Lawrence.
4. Growing more _____ every hour, Janice wondered how she would ever be able to smile again after learning that her best friend would be moving to another state.
5. When witnessing his best friend cheating on an assignment, Ken was _____ about which course of action he should take to address the situation.
6. The room was quiet and _____; nothing like the location Barbara Walters expected the King of Siam to choose to give his interview.

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.

7. Every teacher encounters a plethora of students during his or her teaching career. These are the following types I can identify: Some students stand out for their _____ personality. They excel in everything but never brag.
8. Others believe that they can cheat with impunity. They are characterized by their _____ behavior.
9. A third group of students acts in a very _____ way. They never know what decision to make, so they ask for the teacher's permission for every move they make.
10. A fourth group of students displays _____. It seems as if they all have experienced terribly sad events in their lives. Unfortunately, these students often try to find _____ by escaping reality.

11. Fortunately, there have been very few students to date of _____ intentions. I have had a few, however, who have purposefully made life hard for their parents, peers, and teachers by yelling, cursing, and cheating.

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.

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