

| Vocabulary Word Bank |                    |                    |                      |                     |                   |
|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| <i>acclimate</i>     | <i>foretell</i>    | <i>brandish</i>    | <i>menace</i>        | <i>advocate</i>     | <i>militant</i>   |
| <i>ancestral</i>     | <i>impend</i>      | <i>cynical</i>     | <i>minimize</i>      | <i>anticipate</i>   | <i>morality</i>   |
| <i>aspire</i>        | <i>incredible</i>  | <i>demoralize</i>  | <i>misconception</i> | <i>circumstance</i> | <i>perpetuate</i> |
| <i>crescendo</i>     | <i>ingenious</i>   | <i>despair</i>     | <i>overtake</i>      | <i>collective</i>   | <i>preserve</i>   |
| <i>dependent</i>     | <i>meager</i>      | <i>dignify</i>     | <i>panic</i>         | <i>common</i>       | <i>prominent</i>  |
| <i>despite</i>       | <i>mural</i>       | <i>engulf</i>      | <i>profound</i>      | <i>consensus</i>    | <i>satire</i>     |
| <i>evolve</i>        | <i>precipitate</i> | <i>ennoble</i>     | <i>seize</i>         | <i>depreciate</i>   | <i>stereotype</i> |
| <i>exquisite</i>     | <i>thrive</i>      | <i>grotesque</i>   | <i>sheepishly</i>    | <i>dispute</i>      | <i>sympathy</i>   |
| <i>extreme</i>       | <i>unsung</i>      | <i>impede</i>      | <i>splendor</i>      | <i>enable</i>       | <i>unity</i>      |
| <i>exuberant</i>     | <i>yield</i>       | <i>inert</i>       | <i>staid</i>         | <i>encompass</i>    | <i>urgency</i>    |
| <i>fervent</i>       | <i>assuage</i>     | <i>magnificent</i> | <i>sternly</i>       | <i>irony</i>        | <i>virtue</i>     |

*Blizzard Bag #1*

For each sentence, select the word or phrase that most clearly means the same as the italicized word.

1. *When we moved to Arizona last December, we did not find it difficult to acclimate ourselves to the warm weather.*
  - a. *give*
  - b. *forego*
  - c. *accustom*
  - d. *yield*
2. *The athlete advocated a healthy diet.*
  - a. *was against*
  - b. *was in favor of*
  - c. *remembered*
  - d. *served*
3. *As the summer progressed, the plant evolved from a thin stalk to an abundant, fruit-bearing bush.*
  - a. *deteriorated*
  - b. *decreased*
  - c. *developed*
  - d. *increased*
4. *News that the young girl had been rescued made us feel exuberant.*
  - a. *unhappy*
  - b. *sick*
  - c. *meager*
  - d. *joyous*
5. *The gnarled tree cast a grotesque shadow that resembled a witch.*
  - a. *dark and large*
  - b. *beautiful and appealing*
  - c. *strange and unreal*
  - d. *interesting and unusual*
6. *The chemical substance remained inert, having no active properties.*
  - a. *inside*
  - b. *undiscovered*
  - c. *inactive*
  - d. *menacing*

7. *A meager education usually results in a lack of job opportunities.*
- less than adequate*
  - high school*
  - high quality*
  - measured*
8. *To minimize the boy's fears, his older brother accompanied him to the dentist.*
- increase*
  - lessen*
  - identify*
  - confront*
9. *Chris experienced panic when he realized he would miss his bus.*
- calmness*
  - great relief*
  - sheepishness*
  - sudden fear*
10. *The older couple looked forward to having grandchildren who would perpetuate their family heritage.*
- seize*
  - unite*
  - sustain*
  - perpetrate*
11. *Colleen, a prominent leader in various school organizations, was elected sophomore class president.*
- an outstanding*
  - a cynical*
  - an outspoken*
  - a disputable*
12. *The splendor of the fourteenth-century French cathedral captivated natives and tourists alike.*
- expense*
  - magnificence*
  - largeness*
  - spaciousness*
13. *Tony's finances will thrive if he saves money and gathers interest from the bank.*
- decrease*
  - remain*
  - grow*
  - disappear*
14. *The blazing fire spread fast, creating an urgency to evacuate people from the area.*
- another reason*
  - a pressing need*
  - a sad mood*
  - an unusual excuse*
15. *The town's traffic ordinance requires that all vehicles yield to pedestrians.*
- signal to*
  - proceed without noticing*
  - honk at*
  - grant the right of way to*