**Understanding Meanings**

Read the sentences. If a sentence correctly uses the word in bold, write *C* on the line. If a sentence is incorrect, fix the incorrect portion so that the vocabulary word in bold is used correctly.

1. To **impart** something is to have an effect on it.
2. To **propagate** is to increase by producing offspring.
3. **Oratory** is the cultivation of fruits and vegetables.
4. A **dogma** is a brief, usually witty, saying.
5. To be in the **ascendancy** is to have power or influence.
6. To **concede** is something is to hide it.
7. A **rudimentary** plan is one that is not expressed politely.
8. If a remark is **apropos**, it fits the situation perfectly.
9. To **assess** damage is to escape responsibility for it.
10. To be **deficient** is to be without certain things.
11. To **embody** a principle is to add details that may not be true.
12. A **proponent** of a scheme is one who is in favor of it.
13. To **sojourn** is to go on a long journey.
14. A **vociferous** supporter is one who cannot be trusted.
15. To **aver** something is to deny it happened.

**Using Words**

If the word (or a form of the word) in bold fits in a sentence in the group following it, circle the letter preceding the sentence. There may be more than one correct answer.

1. **embody**
2. Russ attempted to  the document where no one could find it.
3. The architecture of these cathedrals  the religious beliefs of the age.
4. The words “My country right or wrong”  the senator’s philosophy.
5. **concede**
6. We have reluctantly victory to the team from Brockton.
7. I refuse to that I made an error in my calculations.
8. Each of us  a quart of water after the game.
9. **ascendancy**
10. By 49 B.C.E., Rome’s  over the Gaulish tribes was complete.
11. My first  in a hot-air balloon was a thrilling experience.
12. The  of Mount Whitmore took us almost three hours.
13. **vociferous**
14. The painter’s early works are noted for their  use of color.
15. A  crowd gathered outside city hall demanding to see the mayor.
16. My cousin Tom is known for his  appetite.
17. **apropos**
18. What is the  of your paper?
19. For a vegetarian picnic, soy-burgers would be .
20. Greed is an title for this book on how to get rich quick.
21. **rudimentary**
22. Len fashioned a  fishing rod out of a long branch he found on the ground.
23. It was very  of you to tell Mr. Longworth that he was gaining weight.
24. Ken’s knowledge of cooking is so  he can barely boil an egg.
25. **dogma**
26. Try to be a little more  when you talk to the principal.
27. Carla is so  that I don’t enjoy conversing with her.
28. Scientific asserts that water is made up of oxygen and hydrogen.
29. **deficient**
30. The thermometer shows a  temperature, so wear a warm coat.
31. Bruce has shown many times that he is  in good judgement.
32. Anemia is a medical condition caused by blood that is in iron.

**Word Study**

Each group of words contains two words that are either synonyms or antonyms. Circle them. Then circle *S* if they are synonyms or *A* if they are antonyms.

1. noisy vociferous sedentary rudimentary **S A**
2. impart assist withhold assess **S A**
3. evaluate assess enunciate embody **S A**
4. increase venerate wane regale **S A**
5. secular flamboyant trusting cynical **S A**
6. hollow sagacious callow secular **S A**
7. precise haphazard sedentary voluntary **S A**
8. lament exhort implicate urge **S A**
9. careful voracious punctilious wry **S A**
10. deficient temporal lacking pensive **S A**

**Images of Words**

Circle the letter of each sentence that suggest the numbered bold vocabulary word. In each group, you may circle more than one letter or none at all.

1. **deficiency**
2. Nancy is unable to account for the missing sixty dollars.
3. Scurvy, a once common disease, can be cured with doses of vitamin C.
4. Here is the nail that caused your flat tire.
5. **aver**
6. Free markets are necessary for a thriving economy.
7. Oh, please take me with you!
8. Automobiles have caused great damage to the environment in less than a century.
9. **propagation**
10. The Spanish imposed their religion on the conquered peoples of Mexico.
11. Coconuts drift for thousands of miles before taking root on island beaches.
12. Information is accessible on the Internet to anyone with a computer and a modem.
13. **oratorical**
14. And in conclusion, ladies and gentlemen, I would like to say this.
15. Thank you for inviting me to speak to you today on this important topic.
16. Do you mind if I sit next to Kelly?
17. **assessment**
18. The Mets’ batting has deteriorated, but their bullpen remains strong.
19. The deal is just too risky for me to put money into.
20. The chances of an earthquake’s happening here are a million to one.
21. **impart**
22. After we said goodbye at the railroad station, Mary went straight home.
23. “The secret of success,” he said, lowering his voice, “is hard work.”
24. Alice is sure she caught chicken pox from her friend Molly.
25. **sojourn**
26. For eight years Miss Emily never set foot outside her house.
27. With no time to waste as we crossed the desert, we took turns driving through the night.
28. After a week in Nagoya, the musicians moved on to Taipei.
29. **proponent**
30. I see that I’m playing against last year’s champion in the first round.
31. The distributor cap is cracked and will have to be replaced.
32. The policy of our company is “Haste makes waste.”
33. **concede**
34. The car was going at least forty miles an hour in a school zone.
35. Caroline certainly has a very high opinion of herself.
36. The members are in complete agreement that they will not raise fees.
37. **rudimentary**
38. If you look very carefully, you can see that a tadpole does have legs.
39. My knowledge of math doesn’t go much beyond adding and subtracting.
40. The first boats were probably made from hollowed-out logs.