

• **Word Definition 3** Level 5

Directions: Choose the answer choice that best defines the word in capital letters.

1) URGE

- A. to decorate
- B. to praise
- C. to redo
- D. to encourage

6) UNSUCCESSFUL

- A. failing to meet one's goals
- B. depending on others
- C. causing trouble
- D. decorating something

2) MINOR

- A. larger in seriousness
- B. shorter in height
- C. greater in size
- D. lesser in importance

7) CENTRAL

- A. on the coast
- B. relating to sports
- C. in the middle
- D. relating to a government

3) ORDINARY

- A. fragile or delicate
- B. normal or plain
- C. chilly or cold
- D. famous or well known

8) NUMEROUS

- A. broken
- B. many
- C. successful
- D. poor

4) STARTLE

- A. to begin or get going
- B. to defeat or beat
- C. to surprise or frighten
- D. to offer or give

9) PROVIDE

- A. to improve or make better
- B. to request or ask for
- C. to speak or talk
- D. to give or offer

5) SATISFIED

- A. talented or skilled
- B. affordable or cheap
- C. content or happy
- D. depressing or sad

10) VISUAL

- A. relating to food
- B. relating to art
- C. relating to sight
- D. relating to science

Answers and Explanations

1) **D**

urge (verb): to encourage: *The troop leader urged her scouts to sell as many boxes of cookies as they could, encouraging them to sell multiple boxes to all buyers.*

2) **D**

minor (adjective): lesser in importance, seriousness, or size: *I made some minor edits to my paper, changing just a few small things here and there.*

3) **B**

ordinary (adjective): normal or plain: *I'm bored by ordinary cheese pizzas—I prefer to add tasty and interesting toppings like ham and pineapple.*

4) **C**

startle (verb): to surprise or frighten: *Keisha did not notice that I was behind her, so when I shouted behind her, she was startled.*

5) **C**

satisfied (adjective): content or happy: *My father told me I needed to earn at least a B on my next exam, so when I showed him the 87 my teacher wrote at the top of the test paper, he was satisfied.*

6) **A**

unsuccessful (adjective): failing to meet one's goals: *Olivia was unsuccessful in her basketball career and had to find a different job outside of sports.*

7) **C**

central (adjective): in the middle: *The central part of the city is very busy because it is in the middle of everything.*

8) **B**

numerous (adjective): many: *The historian's well-researched book contained numerous sources, hundreds more than most books.*

9) **D**

provide (verb): to give or to offer: *Breakfast is provided at the hotel every morning, so don't have to worry about finding someplace else to eat.*

10) **C**

visual (adjective): relating to sight: *Ms. Rosso offers many visual examples of different lesson topics, including pictures, graphs, and charts.*