

• **Word Definition 1** Level 7

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

1) COUNTERFEIT

- A. fake
- B. appropriate
- C. improved
- D. bright

6) RECORD

- A. to set down in permanent form
- B. to tell someone about something
- C. to throw away or dispose of something
- D. to invent something original

2) ACCELERATE

- A. to climb down
- B. to learn
- C. to speed up
- D. to watch

7) PRESUME

- A. to lift
- B. to rest
- C. to expect
- D. to burn

3) FEUD

- A. a loud sound
- B. an error
- C. a regret
- D. a dispute

8) IMPEDE

- A. to commit
- B. to review
- C. to purchase
- D. to prevent

4) DICTATOR

- A. a young genius
- B. a powerful leader
- C. a skilled expert
- D. a poet or writer

9) CLUTCH

- A. to cry softly
- B. to rhyme with
- C. to hold tight
- D. to untie

5) DEVOUR

- A. to eat up
- B. to shrink down
- C. to wander around
- D. to oversee

10) ACQUIRE

- A. to stop
- B. to ask
- C. to deny
- D. to get

Answers and Explanations

1) **A**

counterfeit (adjective): fake: *It is illegal to make or use counterfeit money, because the only real, legal cash is printed by the government.*

2) **C**

accelerate (verb): to speed up: *If you want to accelerate while driving in your car, put more pressure on the gas pedal, but be careful not to go too fast and get a speeding ticket!*

3) **D**

feud (noun): a prolonged and bitter dispute or argument: *One of the most famous feuds in history is that of the Hatfield and McCoys; the two families fought for generations.*

4) **B**

dictator (noun): a powerful leader: *The dictator rose to power through an election, but then he closed the parliament and took all the power for himself.*

5) **A**

devour (verb): to eat up: *Mary usually hates vegetables, but she was so hungry tonight that she devoured all her broccoli.*

6) **A**

record (verb): to set down in writing or another permanent form for later reference: *Many people still keep diaries to record their daily thoughts, but millions of people are now putting such diaries online for the entire world to see.*

7) **C**

presume (verb): to expect: *Julia didn't say why she wasn't in class on Tuesday, but I presume that she was sick.*

8) **D**

impede (verb): to delay or prevent someone from doing something by blocking or hindering progress: *The purpose of homework is to help you practice your skills, so if you refuse to do the homework, you are impeding your own learning progress and making it more difficult to learn.*

9) **C**

clutch (verb): to hold tight: *When walking through a high-crime neighborhood, Livia clutches her purse so that no one can grab it from her.*

10) **D**

acquire (verb): to get: *Thomas went to the grocery store to acquire milk, cereal, and eggs; he came home with all he needed for breakfast.*