

• **Word Definition 1** Level 3

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

1) NERVOUS

- A. scared or uneasy
- B. having many colors
- C. sleepy or tired
- D. strong or physically fit

6) ANCIENT

- A. very, very old
- B. beautiful or pretty
- C. unusual or strange
- D. unable to be seen

2) CHEAT

- A. to move very quickly
- B. to hurt someone
- C. to break the rules
- D. to end something

7) LIE

- A. to laugh at someone
- B. to say something that is not the truth
- C. to move at a slow pace
- D. to cast a vote

3) QUICKLY

- A. with thought
- B. with happiness
- C. with fear
- D. with speed

8) GRADUAL

- A. being very smart
- B. showing kindness
- C. behaving well
- D. taking place slowly

4) HALF

- A. the biggest part of something
- B. one of two equal parts
- C. all of something
- D. nothing

9) PREPARE

- A. to invent something new
- B. to hurt someone's feelings
- C. to get ready
- D. to eat food

5) GROW

- A. to become bigger or taller
- B. to erase or take away
- C. to stop living or die
- D. to become smaller or shorter

10) CONFESS

- A. to save money
- B. to argue or fight
- C. to misbehave
- D. to tell the truth

Answers and Explanations

1) **A**

nervous (*adjective*): scared, shy or uneasy; a bad feeling: *Before taking an important test, I always feel nervous and afraid of getting a bad score.*

2) **C**

cheat (*verb*): to break the rules: *In order to win the board game, Quyn cheated by moving the other players' pieces when they were not looking.*

3) **D**

quickly (*adverb*): with speed; fast: *If you want to win the race, you must run very quickly.*

4) **B**

half (*noun*): one of two equal parts; fifty percent: *After Annan broke his cookie into two equal parts, he gave me one half.*

5) **A**

grow (*verb*): to become bigger or taller: *At age 11, Felix was only five feet tall, but he would grow to be six feet tall by the time he was an adult.*

6) **A**

ancient (*adjective*): very, very old: *The dinosaur bones at the museum are ancient; they are older than anything else I have ever seen.*

7) **B**

lie (*verb*): to say something that is false, or not the truth: *Marcel lied when he said he only ate one cupcake—I know he really ate three.*

8) **D**

gradual (*adjective*): taking place slowly: *It is better to learn at a slow, gradual pace than to learn too much too soon.*

9) **C**

prepare (*verb*): to get ready: *I think I will do well on the quiz because I prepared for it for a long time.*

10) **D**

confess (*verb*): to tell the truth, to admit: *Eva confessed that she broke the window, and her neighbor thanked her for finally telling the truth.*