

• **Word Definition 3** Level 6

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

**1) CIVILIAN**

- A. someone who is not a soldier
- B. someone who has children
- C. someone who cooks food
- D. someone who does not have a home

**2) SACRED**

- A. common or typical
- B. holy or blessed
- C. rich or wealthy
- D. noisy or loud

**3) DECAY**

- A. to become angry or upset
- B. to decrease in status or rank
- C. to become tired or less energetic
- D. to decrease in health or strength

**4) THEFT**

- A. the act of winning
- B. the act of moving
- C. the act of exercising
- D. the act of stealing

**5) ERUPT**

- A. to crack or break
- B. to burst or explode
- C. to tap or touch
- D. to cry or weep

**6) EXCLUDE**

- A. to arrive
- B. to improve
- C. to beat up
- D. to leave out

**7) AMPLE**

- A. affordable
- B. useless
- C. plentiful
- D. clever

**8) ENCOUNTER**

- A. to meet or run into
- B. to release or let go
- C. to add to or expand
- D. to decrease or reduce

**9) EXPAND**

- A. to capture or catch
- B. to block entrance
- C. to kick someone out
- D. to increase in size

**10) LEISURE**

- A. the use of money to purchase something
- B. the use of free time for enjoyment
- C. the use of medicine to improve health
- D. the use of a rope to tie something to something else

## Answers and Explanations

1) **A**

**civilian** (*noun*): someone who is not a soldier: *Soldiers get access to special medical and educational benefits that civilians do not have.*

2) **B**

**sacred** (*adjective*): holy; blessed: *Mecca is the most sacred city in Islam because it is where the Prophet Muhammad was born; this means that Muslims see it as a very holy place.*

3) **D**

**decay** (*verb*): to decrease in health or strength: *The plant had been without water so long that it began to decay, and we had no choice but to dispose of the rotten plant.*

4) **D**

**theft** (*noun*): the act of stealing: *When the police found another man's silver in Jean's bags, they accused him of theft.*

5) **B**

**erupt** (*verb*): to burst or explode: *When the volcano erupted, it shot tons of ash, rock, and lava into the air.*

6) **D**

**exclude** (*verb*): to leave out: *The other children do not like Ron, so they usually exclude him from their games, leaving Ron to play by himself.*

7) **C**

**ample** (*adjective*): plentiful: *Since parking spaces at the mall aren't ample, we usually park the car across the street and walk over.*

8) **A**

**encounter** (*verb*): to meet, run into, or come across: *We encountered several problems in our final review of the new spaceship, but each problem that we came across was fixable.*

9) **D**

**expand** (*verb*): to increase in size: *The hospital added a new wing, greatly expanding its overall size.*

10) **B**

**leisure** (*noun*): the use of free time for enjoyment: *In the twentieth century, Americans were able to devote more time to leisure, allowing them more opportunities to relax and have fun away from work.*