

• **Word Definition 3** Level 7

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

**1) SOLITUDE**

- A. a state of loneliness
- B. a state of hunger
- C. a state of suffering
- D. a state of happiness

**6) LURK**

- A. to look away
- B. to prepare
- C. to cause someone harm
- D. to wait in hiding

**2) BLATANT**

- A. sharp
- B. common
- C. obvious
- D. unimportant

**7) VICIOUS**

- A. extravagantly showy
- B. completely useless
- C. deliberately cruel
- D. incredibly large

**3) ENSUE**

- A. to annoy
- B. to fall
- C. to decrease
- D. to result

**8) EASYGOING**

- A. not strict
- B. not quick
- C. not difficult
- D. not moving

**4) ESTIMATE**

- A. a victory
- B. a thing of value
- C. a work of art
- D. a guess

**9) OVERWHELM**

- A. to capture or arrest
- B. to block or make impossible
- C. to tremble or shake
- D. to swamp or give too much

**5) CONSULT**

- A. to break up
- B. to discuss
- C. to soothe
- D. to wake up

**10) NEGLIGENT**

- A. confident
- B. careless
- C. original
- D. successful

## Answers and Explanations

1) **A**

**solitude** (*noun*): a state of loneliness: *Ji-Yi went to the mountains by herself to spend some time in solitude.*

2) **C**

**blatant** (*adjective*): obvious: *Sometimes students try to be sneaky about cheating on tests, but your dishonesty was totally blatant.*

3) **D**

**ensue** (*verb*): to result: *When the king died without an heir, confusion over who would take over the throne ensued in the kingdom.*

4) **D**

**estimate** (*noun*): a guess: *The gardener looked around my yard and gave me an estimate about how much it might cost to plant four new trees.*

5) **B**

**consult** (*verb*): to have a discussion with someone or seek information or advice from them: *I usually consult with my parents before making any major life decisions because their advice is usually valuable.*

6) **D**

**lurk** (*verb*): to wait in hiding: *The criminal lurked in the bushes, waiting for people to walk by so he could rob them.*

7) **C**

**vulnerable** (*adjective*): deliberately cruel or violent: *While most dog breeds are kind and friendly, pit bulls have a reputation for being vicious and attacking their owners and other dogs.*

8) **A**

**easygoing** (*adjective*): not strict: *The substitute teacher was more lax and easygoing about the rules than our regular teacher, but our teacher tends to be too strict.*

9) **D**

**overwhelm** (*verb*): to give too much of a thing to someone or something: *The website was overwhelmed by tens of thousands of new visitors, and it crashed within a short time because it was not built for that kind of traffic.*

10) **B**

**negligent** (*adjective*): careless: *The negligent driver didn't notice the red stoplight and sped through the intersection, causing an accident.*