

Exercise 4: Sentence Completion

From the Master Words, choose the appropriate word for the blank in each of the following sentences. Write the word in the space provided at the right.

1. A huge crowd ...?... (ed) to catch a glimpse of the President. _____
2. I made a quilt from ...?... (s) of material I'd used in other projects. _____
3. Jennifer had no ...?... (s) about choosing a summer job over a vacation. _____
4. Since the rest of the family was discussing her birthday gift, Erica's entrance proved to be ...?... . _____
5. The priests sprinkled the floor with holy water and chanted sacred verse to ...?... the new temple. _____
6. In the ...?... of many critics, Eugene O'Neill and Tennessee Williams are the greatest playwrights America has produced. _____
7. David traced his family tree and discovered he was (a, an) ...?... of King James. _____
8. Because of his broken leg, Josh will be ...?... from physical education class for over three months. _____
9. Marta ...?... (ed) the loss of her cat for several days. _____
10. According to a Greek ...?... , Medusa could turn people into stone. _____

Exercise 5: Shades of Meaning

The bold words in the chart below are Master Words. Beneath each is a synonym. Although their denotations (dictionary definitions) are nearly the same, the Master Word and its synonym have different shades of meaning, or connotations. Based on the context, decide whether a Master Word or its synonym would better complete each sentence. Use a dictionary if necessary.

hallow	estimation	throng	untimely
devote	view	mob	precocious

1. People of all ages ...?... the streets during the summer music festival. _____
2. The museum was ...?...(ed) to those who died in the Civil War. _____
3. The ...?... death of the young athlete shocked many people. _____
4. Danielle's ...?... of the movie was biased by her experiences. _____
5. The ...?... singer's voice was mature beyond her years. _____
6. Police fear that protesters will ...?... the streets after the court's decision. _____
7. Lincoln said that Gettysburg was ...?...(ed) by the blood of the soldiers who died there. _____
8. In the governor's ...?... , an experienced accountant is the best choice to be state treasurer. _____

• • • Exercise 6: Analogies

Determine the relationship between the first pair of words below. Then write the Master Word on the blank that would create a similar relationship with the second pair of words. The types of analogies used in this activity are action/receiver of action, category/item, synonyms, and antonyms. (See page 158 for a guide to analogy types.)

1. enclose : encircle :: crowd : _____
2. scale : climb down :: true story : _____
3. tranquil : disturbed :: opportune : _____
4. celebrate : victory :: _____ : death
5. art : painting :: _____ : grandchild

Write About It: Fundamental Beliefs

In this speech, Chief Seattle describes beliefs about life and death that affect his people and "the White Man." **Write a summary** of these beliefs. Remember that a summary includes only key ideas and leaves out many details. Use at least five Master Words in your summary.