

Beach Park
7th Grade Language Usage
Multiple Meaning 2

Name _____

Which definition is used in the sentence?

Question #1:

mosaic n. 1. inlaid surface decoration made up of variously colored bits of stone, glass, or other hard material v. 2. the process of creating that pattern

Darlene created a beautiful mosaic of the sun.

- A. 1
- B. 2

Question #2:

narrative adj. 1. story-telling n. 2. story, account

While the narrative poem was being read, everyone listened intently.

- A. 1
- B. 2

Question #3:

neutral adj. 1. not taking sides in conflict or war 2. belonging to no side 3. having no particular shade or color.

Mother said she wanted to paint the house a neutral color.

- A. 1
- B. 3
- C. 2

Question #4:

novel n. 1. fictional prose narrative usually of considerable length 2. new, unprecedented

Joyce was known for her novel ideas.

- A. 2
- B. 1

Question #5:

objective adj. 1. concerned with reality, rather than thought or emotion n. 2. something toward which effort is directed, goal

Pat's main objective in life was to become a computer programmer.

- A. 1
- B. 2

Question #6:

passion n. 1. strong, intense feeling, as love, hate, anger especially overwhelming or violent 2. strong ardent liking, desire, or enthusiasm 3. object of strong feeling

My aunt has a passion for anything sweet.

- A. 2
- B. 3
- C. 1

Question #7:

plaque n. 1. object, often wood, with a metal plate containing an inscription 2. film of mucus harboring bacteria on a tooth

If I go to the dentist, she will probably remove plaque from my teeth.

- A. 1
- B. 2

Question #8:

pose v. 1. hold a position 2. assume a character or attitude

The two adorable kittens would not pose for the picture.

- A. 2
- B. 1

Question #9:

prejudice n. 1. injury or damage resulting from some judgment or action of another in disregard of one's rights 2. irrational attitude of dislike directed against a person, group, or race

Racial and religious prejudices have caused many conflicts.

- A. 1
- B. 2

Question #10:

premium n. 1. cost of an insurance policy 2. amount paid in addition to the regular price adj. 3. exceptional quality

I decided to splurge for the party and buy the premium cuts of meat.

- A. 1
- B. 2
- C. 3

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Question #11:

progressive adj. 1. moving forward: advancing 2. proceeding steadily or step by step 3. relating to a tax

The progressive city received an award from the President.

- A. 3
- B. 1
- C. 2

Question #12:

reception n. 1. act or instance of receiving 2. formal social function 3. conversion of radio or television signals into sound or pictures

The pictures of the wedding reception were delightful!

- A. 2
- B. 3
- C. 1

Question #13:

scour v. 1. clean with a steady rubbing 2. to go over repeatedly, as during a search

We will scour the park for the missing puppy.

- A. 2
- B. 1

Question #14:

shrine n. 1. case or other receptacle for sacred relics 2. place or thing hallowed by its history or past association

The shrine has all the names of the soldiers who died in the war.

- A. 2
- B. 1

Question #15:

speculate v. 1. to think carefully or seriously in order to form a tentative conclusion, conjecture 2. to engage in a risky business venture

Marvin speculated that the skies would clear before noon.

- A. 1
- B. 2

Question #16:

staple n. 1. small wire used to bind paper 2. major source or raw material grown or manufactured in a region

Wheat is a staple of the Midwest.

- A. 2
- B. 1

Question #17:

impulse n. 1. force that makes one act without thinking 2. motion caused by the sudden application of force

The impulse of falling water turns the water wheel.

- A. 2
- B. 1

Question #18:

surge v. 1. to move with a violent, heaving swelling motion 2. to increase or rise suddenly

The stock market is supposed to surge to a new high today.

- A. 2
- B. 1

Question #19:

terminal adj. 1. situated at the end or boundary of something 2. coming or occurring at the end of a series; closing 3. relating to the final state of a fatal disease

I will make the terminal payment on my loan.

- A. 3
- B. 2
- C. 1

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Answer Key

1. A -1
2. A -1
3. B -3
4. A -2
5. B -2
6. A -2
7. B -2
8. B -1
9. B -2
10. C -3
11. B -1
12. A -2
13. A -2
14. A -2
15. A -1
16. A -2
17. A -2
18. A -2
19. B -2