

Lesson 10

anonymous uh•NON•uh•mus ADJECTIVE

1. with no name known; unknown [Many of our best-known nursery rhymes are by *anonymous* poets.]
2. given or written by someone whose name is not provided [The message was *anonymous*, and I never found out who sent it.]

anxiety ang•ZY•uh•tee NOUN

a feeling of worry; uneasy concern or fear
[I had some *anxiety* about going to a new school, but it didn't last long.]

beneficial ben•uh•FISH•ul ADJECTIVE

helpful; providing a benefit [Drinking milk is quite *beneficial* for bones.]

bounteous BOWN•tee•us ADJECTIVE

1. given freely; generous [Some rich people give *bounteous* help to the poor.]
2. plentiful; more than enough [We prepared *bounteous* food for the picnic.]

dishearten dis•HAR•tun VERB

to cause to lose spirit or hope; to discourage
[Don't let one failure *dishearten* you.]

enthusiast en•THOO•zee•ust NOUN

a person with a strong liking for or interest in something; a devoted supporter
[Mariana is an in-line *enthusiast* who skates every single day.]

Joe says everyone skates and Mariana ought to show more individuality. Joe himself can't go one single block without falling forty times.



individuality

in•duh•vij•oo•AL•uh•tee NOUN
qualities that make one person or thing different from others [People often use clothing to express their *individuality*.]

leeway LEE•way NOUN

1. more money, time, etc., than is known to be needed [The price of admission was five dollars, but I took six to give myself a little *leeway*.]
2. room for freedom of action [I have to dress neatly for school, but I have a lot of *leeway* in choosing exactly what to wear.]

liberate LIH•bur•ate VERB

to set free [One of the North's goals in the Civil War was to *liberate* the slaves.]

receptacle ree•SEP•tuh•kul NOUN

something that receives and contains something else [Hand me that bucket or some other *receptacle* to hold these peaches.]

relic REL•ik NOUN

a thing or part that remains from the past
[That beautiful old sword is a *relic* from the Revolutionary War.]

replenish ree•PLEN•ish VERB

to fill or supply again [We have to stop to *replenish* our gas supply before we get back on the highway.]

scrawny SKRAW•nee ADJECTIVE

unusually thin; bony [When we found the cub, he was *scrawny* from lack of food.]

taunt TAWNT

NOUN an insulting remark; a gesture or statement that makes fun of someone or something ["I don't want to hear one single *taunt* directed at the other team," said our coach at the pep rally.]

VERB to make fun of in an insulting way ["But what if they *taunt* us?" Joe asked.]

unattainable un•uh•TANE•uh•bul ADJECTIVE

unable to be reached or achieved [With our best player out of the competition, victory seemed *unattainable*.]

Exercise A: Completion

Choose the correct answer to complete each sentence.

1. You might ask someone to **liberate** you if you were
 - A. tired.
 - B. thirsty.
 - C. trapped.
2. A stamp **enthusiast** is most likely to be someone who
 - A. designs stamps.
 - B. collects stamps.
 - C. uses a lot of stamps.
3. If something is **unattainable** for you, you will never
 - A. want it.
 - B. have it.
 - C. forget it.
4. An object that is used as a **receptacle** on a dinner table is a
 - A. bowl.
 - B. knife.
 - C. tablecloth.
5. To **replenish** a supply of cereal, you would
 - A. eat it.
 - B. buy more.
 - C. put it away.
6. One place that usually contains a **relic** is a
 - A. bakery.
 - B. hospital.
 - C. museum.

Exercise B: Synonyms

Write the **Word** that is a synonym for each of these words.

7. originality _____
8. holder _____
9. release _____
10. antique _____
11. unknown _____
12. mock _____
13. skinny _____
14. nervousness _____

Exercise C: Fill-in

Write the correct adjective **Word** to complete each sentence.

15. The food at a feast is _____.
16. A stray cat often looks _____.
17. Exercise and medicine are _____.
18. A valentine that isn't signed is _____.
19. The goal of never making mistakes is _____.

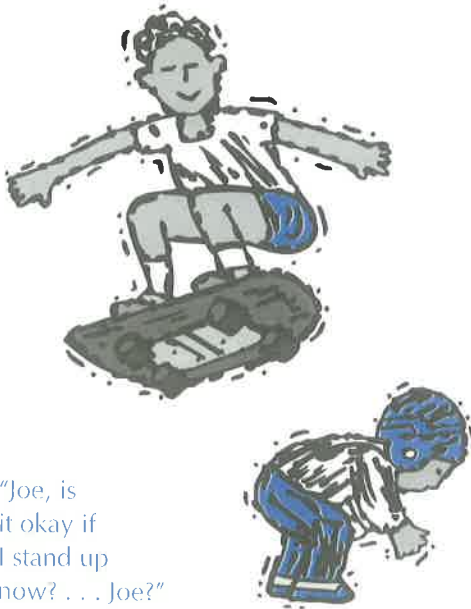
Joe says Ned is scrawny.
Ned says, "Not for long.
And, anyway, look
who's talking!"



Exercise D: What Is It?

Write the **Word** that each rhymed clue describes.

20. I watch every basketball game that I can.
I'm crazy for basketball. I am a fan.
21. This could be a basket or a barrel or a box,
And, when a fox is eating, it's the stomach of the fox!
22. If you allow an hour, though that's more time than you need,
The extra time will give you this. Some "slack" is good, indeed!
23. If you don't let the problems that you face do this to you,
Then you do not give up. You're not a quitter, that is true.
24. This makes Frank different from Pablo or Mike.
It is not found when all things are alike.
25. This could be a fossil or an arrowhead or pot.
It could be almost anything, but modern it is not.



"Joe, is
it okay if
I stand up
now? . . . Joe?"

Big brothers can cause big anxiety.

Exercise E: Antonyms

Write the **Word** that is an antonym for each set of words.

26. harmful; dangerous
27. capture; trap
28. to cheer; to inspire
29. confidence; calmness
30. plump; chubby
31. compliment; praise
32. sameness
33. to use up; to empty
34. stingy; miserly
35. strictness; narrowness

Quick LIST

anonymous ADJ.	bounteous ADJ.	individuality N.	receptacle N.	scrawny ADJ.
anxiety N.	dishearten V.	leeway N.	relic N.	taunt N., V.
beneficial ADJ.	enthusiast N.	liberate V.	replenish V.	unattainable ADJ.

Exercise F: Fill-in

Write the **Word** that **best** completes each sentence. Use each word only once.

36. Chris and Nicky are identical twins, but their _____ is obvious when they talk about their interests, which are quite different.
37. Wearing thick socks is _____ in preventing blisters on runners' feet.
38. Because the gift to the homeless shelter was _____, no one knew whom to thank.
39. My _____ made my heart thump and pound, and I even started to tremble.
40. A badly lopsided score like 102-50 can really _____ the team that's behind.
41. It's time to _____ the supply cabinet because we're out of almost everything.
42. Due to the good weather, the garden produced a _____ crop of tomatoes.
43. We dug up a cannonball, a _____ of the American Revolution, while working in the field.
44. This great big glass jar will make the perfect _____ for my marble collection.
45. "Aw, what a crybaby!" was the _____ I heard from some children on the playground.
46. We will trap and cage the raccoons and then _____ them in the wild, far away.
47. My sister, who is a car _____, can identify the make and model of any car she sees.
48. I expected Lauren to be weak because she's so _____, but she's surprisingly strong.
49. Do we have any _____ in what topic our paper can be on, or does it have to be one of the topics on this list?
50. Joe says my goal of becoming a quarterback is _____ because I can't pass at all.



Joe says that Chris's best sport is soccer and that Nicky is better at basketball.



But Joe admits he can't tell them apart, and it might be the other way around!

So what does Joe know about anything anyway?

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Word Fun 2!



Digging

Each sentence suggests a **Word** from Unit 2. The word itself is buried in the sentence. Find the word and underline it. (An example is done for you.) These are the words you need to dig up:

confine daze hostile reel
cordial dishearten parch shun

Ex: Jill's enthusiasm, eagerness, and spirit amaze all who see her.

- Billy and I can't stand each other, so when I got to the party and realized he was the host, I left immediately.
- Wilma absolutely refused to even *look* at that food. She put the dish under her napkin.
- Although Stan is trying hard to break my record, I always say hello in a warm and friendly way.
- Robin Hood gasped, "Water, water! I need more than just a sip. Archery can be hot, dry work!"
- I can't believe how loud the crowd is. Hear ten thousand fans yelling for the other team, and you lose your confidence!
- Maria feels trapped when she has to stay in her room doing arithmetic on fine days.
- Miguel was so shocked when he scored a zero that he felt numb and in a fog.
- Bumping my head made me stagger, wobble, and sway as if my legs were elastic.

Matching

Match the phrases that are ...

- to liberate a playmate
- to jostle the fossil
- wary of vocabulary
- to applaud the frauds
- truly unruly
- to mean to intervene
- a mediocre soaker
- a merry sanctuary

Naming

Match each person's ...

- Ann Onnimus
- Benny Fishul
- Stu D. Uss
- Lee Way
- X. Hale
- Clara T.
- Mim Ick
- Ma Jestic
- Harry Tage
- Miss T. Fye

Puzzling

Identify the **Word** from Unit 2 that fits the clue in each box. The word's first letter is shown in the answer blank.

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Rhyming

Make each set of lines rhyme (and have a poetic rhythm) by substituting a **Word** from Unit 2 for the underlined words.

closest in meaning.

- A. to intend to interrupt
- B. to free a friend
- C. a happy hideout
- D. to cheer for the cheaters
- E. watchful of words
- F. a so-so squirt gun
- G. definitely disobedient
- H. to bump the brontosaurus bones

1. You will bust every zipper and pop every button
If you don't stop being the world's biggest
overeating, greedy pig.

2. Everything we saw or did, my cousin loved or hated.
She had strong feelings all the time. That girl's
narrow-minded and stubborn about her own ideas!



Seeing the hostile dragon exhale, Sir Pass fears he may not live up to his name. After all, his disheartened (and parched) buddies, Sir Vive and Sir Ender, have already fled to sanctuary in the castle.

name to the description it goes best with.

- A. He's always saying, "Cut me some slack!"
- B. He's always breathing sighs of relief.
- C. Her behavior puzzles everyone.
- D. Nobody knows who she is.
- E. She's definitely a copycat.
- F. He's always doing homework.
- G. She's a magnificent and dignified lady.
- H. She's direct, accurate, and easy to understand.
- I. He's always helping people by doing good deeds.
- J. He'll draw his family tree for anyone who will look at it.



2. d _____



3. C _____

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