

4000 Essential English Words 4 Unit 18: The School Play

1.

Choose the right word for the given definition.

an underground room

- A) accent
- B) basement
- C) a technique
- D) errand

2.

Choose the right word for the given definition.

to think about something

- A) complicate
- B) reserve
- C) ponder
- D) slam

3.

Choose the right word for the given definition.

the written words of a play or film

- A) script
- B) blank
- C) barber
- D) gloves

4.

Choose the right word for the given definition.

a group that sings

- A) hermits
- B) leather
- C) choir
- D) staircases

5.

Choose the right word for the given definition.

in a fair way

- A) comic
- B) decline
- C) searching
- D) justly

6.

Choose the right definition for the given word.

slam

- A) to close loudly
- B) to be careful
- C) to close the eyes
- D) to save

7.

Choose the right definition for the given word.

decline

- A) to look for
- B) to say no
- C) to be right
- D) fair

8.

Choose the right definition for the given word.

hermit

- A) clothing for you hands
- B) something that is funny
- C) a trip to do something
- D) a person who is alone

9.

Choose the right definition for the given word.

leather

- A) a distinct way of speaking
- B) material used to make clothing
- C) an underground room
- D) a piece of clothing for the hands

10.

Choose the right definition for the given word.

barber

- A) a singing group
- B) a person who cuts hair
- C) a set of stairs
- D) phrases that form a play



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11. Match the phrases to make complete sentences.

The writer's **comic** stories ____.

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- b. made him hard to understand
- c. before buying a new car
- d. some seats for this week's show
- e. always make me laugh
- f. makes a great playroom
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12. Match the phrases to make complete sentences.

Donna usually ran **errands** ____.

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13. Match the phrases to make complete sentences.

I tried to **reserve** ____.

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14. Match the phrases to make complete sentences.

She wanted to join the **choir** ____.

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15. Match the phrases to make complete sentences.

A beautiful **staircase** ____.

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16. Match the phrases to make complete sentences.

The speaker's strong **accent** ____.

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17. Match the phrases to make complete sentences.

Roger **pondered** a long time ____.

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18. Match the phrases to make complete sentences.

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19. Match the phrases to make complete sentences.

I remembered to make sure I had my **gloves** ____.

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20. Match the phrases to make complete sentences.

The large **basement** ____.

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21. Match the clauses to make complete sentences.

I put some medicine in my eyes, ____.

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- c. so I went to see the **barber**
- d. so both were **justly** given medals
- e. but she **declined**
- f. so the homework was very **complicated**
- g. it was completely **blank**
- h. so he had to **search** for them for an hour
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22. Match the clauses to make complete sentences.

The boy's mom yelled at him for getting mud on the couch, ____.

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He asked Sara to see the scary movie, ____.

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He spent the period daydreaming. So when he turned in his test, ____.

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I didn't pay attention in class, ____.

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Dean and Anne finished the race at the same time, ____.

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The title of the script was The Big Barber.

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- B) FALSE

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Robby wanted the part of the hermit because he would get to talk with an accent.

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Robby declined Peter's offer to practice together.

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The scene on the staircase was about the migrant searching for a new job.

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Peter's mind was blank during the audition.

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Peter felt that Robby justly received the lead role.

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Why did Peter decide not to practice?

- A) He didn't want the part.
- B) He thought the teacher would give him the role.
- C) He disliked Robby.
- D) He wanted to be in the choir instead.

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Where did Robby suggest they practice together?

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- B) In his basement
- C) At the theater
- D) In the park



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"I don't like practicing with others. It **complicates** the process for me," said Peter.

Actually, Peter didn't want to practice at all. The teacher would surely **reserve** the lead part for him. A few days later, Robby came to his house.

Robby said, "Do you want to practice the scene on the **staircase**? It's the part where the migrant **searches** for a new job."

Peter **declined** the invitation. "I can't today. I need to do some **errands**." Then he **slammed** the door. It was just an excuse. Peter didn't want to help Robby.

On the day of the auditions, Peter wore his lucky **leather** jacket. He always got the best part when he wore it. The teacher told him to begin, but his mind was **blank**. He couldn't remember the lines!

A week later, the teacher put a list of the parts on the wall. Peter read the list, looking for his name. He was shocked by what he saw. He **blinked** his eyes and looked again. He didn't get the lead part—Robby did! Peter **pondered** the situation and came to the idea that Robby **justly** received the part. He earned it by practicing. Next time, Peter would practice, too.

What was Peter's first excuse for not practicing with Robby?

- A) He had to run errands
- B) He had to study for a test.
- C) He said it complicated the process.
- D) Robby lived too far away.

40. THE SCHOOL PLAY

Peter was excited. Next week he was going to audition for the school play. Everybody knew he was a great actor. He was sure he would get the lead role.

Later, his friend Robby asked him, "Have you seen the **script** for the play?"

"Yes. The title is The Lost **Glove**—it's a **comic** play," replied Peter.

Robby said, "I want to play the part of the **hermit** because the hermit gets to talk with an **accent**!"

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What kind of play were the boys auditioning for?

- A) Romance
- B) Comic
- C) Drama
- D) Action



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| 1: B | 21: I |
| 2: C | 22: B |
| 3: A | 23: E |
| 4: C | 24: G |
| 5: D | 25: A |
| 6: A | 26: F |
| 7: B | 27: C |
| 8: D | 28: A |
| 9: B | 29: D |
| 10: B | 30: H |
| 11: E | 31: B |
| 12: A | 32: A |
| 13: D | 33: B |
| 14: A | 34: A |
| 15: G | 35: A |
| 16: B | 36: A |
| 17: C | 37: B |
| 18: H | 38: B |
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