

4000 Essential English Words 2 Unit 21: From the Earth to the Stars

1. Choose the right definition for the given word.

permission

- A) to not be scared
- B) the act of allowing the doing of something
- C) to not be asleep
- D) something sent into space

2. Choose the right definition for the given word.

scale

- A) size
- B) below the earth
- C) a chemical
- D) an expensive stone

3. Choose the right definition for the given word.

courage

- A) to be alert
- B) the act of allowing the doing of something
- C) to take part in an activity
- D) bravery

4. Choose the right definition for the given word.

satellite

- A) to not do something
- B) something sent into space
- C) to take part in an activity
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5. Choose the right definition for the given word.

pour

- A) a chemical in the earth
- B) a tool for looking
- C) to move liquid
- D) to be afraid

6. Choose the right definition for the given word.

raw

- A) a tool for looking
- B) natural
- C) a man in space
- D) something in a place

7. Choose the right definition for the given word.

telescope

- A) a tube for water
- B) a spirit
- C) a tool for looking
- D) a man in space

8. Choose the right definition for the given word.

awake

- A) to not do something
- B) not asleep
- C) not afraid
- D) the act of allowing the doing of something

9. Choose the right definition for the given word.

gravity

- A) a chart of numbers
- B) a spirit
- C) to move on top of water
- D) a powerful force

10. Choose the right definition for the given word.

presence

- A) a man in space
- B) a worker in a mine
- C) a spirit
- D) the fact of being present



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11. Choose the word that is a better fit for each sentence.

The movie had ____ flying in heaven and singing beautiful songs.
I watched a TV show about how people trained to become ____.

- A) angels / astronauts
- B) astronauts / angels

12. Choose the word that is a better fit for each sentence.

Russia was the first country to send a ____ into space.
The teacher asked all of us to ____ in writing the story.

- A) participate / satellite
- B) satellite / participate

13. Choose the word that is a better fit for each sentence.

My mother gave me ____ to attend the party.
The man at the door ____ people permission to enter the building.

- A) grants / permission
- B) permission / grants

14. Choose the word that is a better fit for each sentence.

We are studying ____ that we use in everyday life.
The woman keeps her ____ in a safe place.

- A) jewels / minerals
- B) minerals / jewels

15. Choose the word that is a better fit for each sentence.

The water ____ broke, and now the street is flooded.
Thomas got a ____ from his grandfather on his birthday.

- A) telescope / pipe
- B) pipe / telescope

16. Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank.

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"You must never come underground again. Have the **courage** to make your wishes come true."

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What is this story about?

- A) Why satellites are useful
- B) How a man escaped gravity
- C) Why a telescope is a useful thing
- D) How a miner became an astronaut



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Why did Jeremy stop going underground?

- A) It kept him awake all night long.
- B) He could not find any jewels or minerals.
- C) An angel told him to stop working there and make his dreams come true.
- D) He stopped having the courage to skip work.

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In the second paragraph, we can infer that Jeremy _____.

- A) did not know how to float
- B) could not see the angel
- C) broke the pipe by accident
- D) felt the presence of the workers



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According to the passage, all the following are true EXCEPT _____.

- A)** Jeremy was granted permission to leave the mine
- B)** Jeremy used a telescope to watch the stars
- C)** Jeremy stretched out to grab the wood
- D)** Jeremy was amazed by the scale of space



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Answer Key:

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| 1: B | 13: B |
| 2: A | 14: B |
| 3: D | 15: B |
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| 5: C | 17: B |
| 6: B | 18: C |
| 7: C | 19: E |
| 8: B | 20: A |
| 9: D | 21: D |
| 10: D | 22: C |
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| 12: B | 24: A |

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