

## 4000 Essential English Words 2 Unit 1: The Twelve Months

1.

**Choose the right word for the given definition.**

a movement

- A) pace
- B) intent
- C) lungs
- D) motion

2.

**Choose the right word for the given definition.**

to look for

- A) seek
- B) possess
- C) shine
- D) desire

3.

**Choose the right word for the given definition.**

to pick up

- A) eager
- B) lift
- C) remark
- D) spill

4.

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very fast

- A) landscape
- B) household
- C) rapidly
- D) awful
- E)

5.

**Choose the right word for the given definition.**

feeling worried

- A) consisting of
- B) load
- C) polite
- D) anxious

6.

**Choose the right definition for the given word.**

possess

- A) to look for
- B) to own
- C) to pick up
- D) to put in

7.

**Choose the right definition for the given word.**

desire

- A) to want
- B) to make up of
- C) to have
- D) to say

8.

**Choose the right definition for the given word.**

intent

- A) an area of land
- B) an organ
- C) a plan
- D) a feeling

9.

**Choose the right definition for the given word.**

shine

- A) to learn
- B) to make light
- C) to have something fall out
- D) to move fast

10.

**Choose the right definition for the given word.**

polite

- A) thoughtful
- B) worried
- C) fast
- D) excited

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11. Check the sentence with the bolded word that makes better sense.

- a. It is hard to **seek** for things when it is sunny.
- b. A **landscape** may have snow during the winter.

12. Check the sentence with the bolded word that makes better sense.

- a. Most children are **eager** to get gifts.
- b. Good friends are **awful** to have around.

13. Check the sentence with the bolded word that makes better sense.

- a. The **lungs** help move blood through the body.
- b. People may feel **anxious** when they give a speech.

14. Check the sentence with the bolded word that makes better sense.

- a. It isn't **polite** to take things without asking first.
- b. You should help **spill** the dishes after dinner.

15. Check the sentence with the bolded word that makes better sense.

- a. If you work at a fast **pace**, things will get done quickly.
- b. It is important to **lift** your notes before a test.

16. Check the sentence with the bolded word that makes better sense.

- a. People are **eager** to leave when they don't want to go anywhere.
- b. You should get help when **lifting** heavy boxes.

17. Check the sentence with the bolded word that makes better sense.

- a. Some people live in the **landscape** while others live in the city.
- b. Everyone has **awful** days where nothing goes right.

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- a. It is good to **seek** advice when you have a problem.
- b. Students feel **anxious** when they get good grades.

19. Check the sentence with the bolded word that makes better sense.

- a. When you breathe, air goes into your **lungs**.
- b. Some students **pace** to school every day.

20. Check the sentence with the bolded word that makes better sense.

- a. **Polite** people do not say "please" or "thank you."
- b. When you **spill** something, you should clean it up right away.

21. THE TWELVE MONTHS

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Anna wasn't **anxious** to walk through the chilled **landscape**. The cold air made her **lungs** burn. She walked at a slow **pace** because of the snow. Soon she saw a group of people. It **consisted** of twelve men. Anna told them about the flowers.

One of the men said they were the twelve months and that they would help Anna. January walked to her and made a **motion** with his hand. The days of the month passed **rapidly** until it was February's turn. February also made the month speed up. Then March made the sun **shine** and flowers grew in the field.

Anna **loaded** her basket with so many flowers that she could hardly **lift** it. Then she gave a quick but **polite** "thank you" to the twelve men and returned home. She was very **eager** to show her stepmother all the flowers. Back at the house, she **spilled** the flowers onto the table. Then she told her stepmother about the twelve men. Anna's stepmother and stepsister went to **seek** the twelve months. Their **intent** was to ask for gifts. They looked and looked. They became very lost and never found their way home. Anna lived happily by herself.

**What is this story about?**

- A) Why a year consists of twelve months
- B) How a girl made the sun shine in winter
- C) Why moving at a slow pace is good
- D) How the months helped a polite girl



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**Why did Anna need to seek flowers?**

- A)** Her stepmother remarked that she liked them.
- B)** Her awful stepsister desired them for her birthday.
- C)** She spilled the ones she already possessed.
- D)** She was eager to please her stepmother.

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**In paragraph 4, we can infer that \_\_\_\_\_.**

- A)** the months rapidly helped Anna load her basket
- B)** Anna asked the months to live in her household
- C)** Anna's awful stepmother and stepsister never found the months
- D)** Anna got lost going across the dark landscape on her way home



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**According to the passage, all the following are true EXCEPT \_\_\_\_\_.**

- A)** the cold air hurt Anna's lungs
- B)** Anna's stepmother lifted the basket
- C)** January made a motion to speed up time
- D)** Anna wasn't anxious to go out in the cold, dark night



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### Answer Key:

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|-------|-------|
| 1: D  | 13: B |
| 2: A  | 14: A |
| 3: B  | 15: A |
| 4: C  | 16: B |
| 5: D  | 17: B |
| 6: B  | 18: A |
| 7: A  | 19: A |
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