

4000 Essential English Words 3 Unit 25: How Did Greenland Get Its Name?

1. **Choose the right word for the given definition.**
- relates to the cold places on Earth
- A) polar
 - B) marine
 - C) frost
 - D) underlying
2. **Choose the right word for the given definition.**
- a small part of something
- A) fraction
 - B) merit
 - C) ray
 - D) dynasty
3. **Choose the right word for the given definition.**
- something that appears real but is not
- A) resign
 - B) circulate
 - C) derive
 - D) illusion
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- to get from another source
- A) frost
 - B) illusion
 - C) derive
 - D) invade
5. **Choose the right word for the given definition.**
- to die in the water from lack of air
- A) via
 - B) drown
 - C) suicide
 - D) underlying
6. **Choose the right definition for the given word.**
- invade
- A) to come from
 - B) to kill oneself
 - C) to take over another country
 - D) to happen because of something else
7. **Choose the right definition for the given word.**
- dynasty
- A) thin layer of ice
 - B) a group of rulers from the same family
 - C) a person that knows about the sea
 - D) very cold
8. **Choose the right definition for the given word.**
- merit
- A) a low ranking officer
 - B) a good quality
 - C) a part of a whole
 - D) a hidden problem
9. **Choose the right definition for the given word.**
- resign
- A) to quit
 - B) to die underwater
 - C) to shake
 - D) to move from place to place
10. **Choose the right definition for the given word.**
- ray
- A) a way to get through
 - B) something that seems to be something else
 - C) a group of soldiers at sea
 - D) a line of light



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Erik the Red's consequent punishment for killing his neighbor was to leave Iceland for Denmark.

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Erik's lieutenant thought about resigning.

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The ice around Greenland protected it from being invaded by navies.

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Greenland's name was derived from Erik's favorite color.

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According to the story, what was Erik's underlying problem?

- A) He traveled via ship.
- B) He had many merits.
- C) He got angry easily.
- D) He circulated stories that weren't true.

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All of the following happened to people on Erik's ship EXCEPT ____.

- A) they wanted to resign
- B) they found gold
- C) they drowned
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What did Erik think he was looking at when he first saw Greenland?

- A) A fraction
- B) An illusion
- C) Frost
- D) A marine bird

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Why did Erik want to bring more people to Greenland?

- A) To help them grow food
- B) So he could set up a dynasty
- C) To explore more land
- D) To protect them from the Vikings



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Answer Key:

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| 1: A | 11: B |
| 2: A | 12: B |
| 3: D | 13: B |
| 4: C | 14: A |
| 5: B | 15: A |
| 6: C | 16: B |
| 7: B | 17: C |
| 8: B | 18: B |
| 9: A | 19: B |
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