

4000 Essential English Words 3 Unit 6: The Senator and the Worm

1.

Choose the word that is a better fit for each blank.

The _____ lived in one of the poorest _____ in the country.

- A) districts / senator
- B) senator / districts

2.

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When he _____ his fist on the top of his _____, it made a funny sound.

- A) skull / tapped
- B) tapped / skull

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If you want to find a _____, try looking _____ rocks or pieces of wood.

- A) underneath / worm
- B) worm / underneath

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She _____ her children by watching a humorous _____ with them after school.

- A) consoled / broadcast
- B) broadcast / consoled

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She felt _____ sorrow after her husband was _____ for his crime.

- A) execute / tremendous
- B) tremendous / execute

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He decided to listen to the news _____ because he could no longer _____ the boredom of being home alone.

- A) endure / bulletin
- B) bulletin / endure

7.

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The soup was very thick. He had to _____ the spoon with both hands in order to _____ it.

- A) grasp / stir
- B) stir / grasp

8.

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The television news _____ us of the storm. We put the car in the _____ of the house where it would be protected.

- A) alerted / rear
- B) rear / alerted

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She looked at all the tools in the _____ but could not find anything to use to _____ the meat.

- A) chop / drawer
- B) drawer / chop

10.

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Many toys had been piled beneath the carpet in the _____. The _____ I got from hitting my head on the door was painful.

- A) bump / closet
- B) closet / bump



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11. Choose the answer that best fits the question.

Which of the following best describes a news program?

- A) Grasp
- B) Bulletin
- C) Tap
- D) Alert

12. Choose the answer that best fits the question.

Which one do you put things into?

- A) A drawer
- B) A bump
- C) A district
- D) A worm

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Which of the following describes something in the back?

- A) Endure
- B) Skull
- C) Rear
- D) Tremendous

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Which of the following does an alarm do for people?

- A) Alert them
- B) Console them
- C) Execute them
- D) Tap them

15. Choose the answer that best fits the question.

Which of the following means to go through something difficult?

- A) Chop
- B) Broadcast
- C) Stir
- D) Endure

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What was the senator doing when the worm crawled onto his head?

- A) Listening to the radio
- B) Watching a broadcast
- C) Looking in the closet
- D) Consoling the cook



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Which of the following did the cook NOT do?

- A) Stir some spaghetti sauce
- B) Look through several drawers
- C) Hit the senator's skull
- D) Execute the worm

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Why did the senator tell the cook to hurry?

- A) He was hiding in the rear of the house.
- B) He knew he had to alert the cook.
- C) He couldn't endure the worm on his head.
- D) He had heard a tremendous noise.



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After the cook hit the senator, where did the worm go?

- A) Into the kitchen
- B) Underneath the chair
- C) Outside the house
- D) Onto the cook's head



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Answer Key:

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| 1: B | 14: A |
| 2: B | 15: D |
| 3: B | 16: A |
| 4: A | 17: A |
| 5: B | 18: A |
| 6: B | 19: B |
| 7: A | 20: B |
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