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PREFIX		
con-	with, together	
de-	from, away, down, apart; not	
infra-	beneath	
ob-	to, toward, against	
re-	back, again	

ROOT				
struct	build			

	SUFFIX		
-ion	an action or process; state, quality, act		
-ure	state, quality, act; that which; process, condition		

A. Spelling and Defining Words
Write each word from the choice box next to its definition.

destruction	destruct	infrastructure	construct
reconstruct	reconstruction	structure	construction
obstruction	obstruct		

1	to deliberately destroy an object
2	underlying framework of a system
3	the action or process of building
4	the act of destroying; a state of damage
5	to put back together again
6	that which is built in a particular way
7	an obstacle put up against something else
8	the act of putting back together
9	to block or fill with obstacles
10	to form by putting together parts

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B. Completing the Sentence
Write the best word from the gray box to complete each sentence.

1.	. The hurricane that struck the Florida coast caused a great deal of		
		reconstruction destruction obstruction	
2.	The accident on the highway was a major	to the flow of traffic.	
		structure construction obstruction	
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3.	Jeremy kept busy all afternoon with the	of his Lego® tower from the	
	fallen pieces.	destruction reconstruction construction	
4.	The of a school consistency school board.	ists of teachers, administration, and a infrastructure construction structure	
	School Board.	illinastructure construction structure	
5.	He was hoping to the	new model airplane within a week. destruct construct reconstruct	
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6.	The of the new bridge		
		construction destruction obstruction	
7.	A large is being erect	ed on the old fairground site.	
		infrastructure obstruction structure	
8.	If the dead tree should fall it will	the road.	
		obstruct construct destruct	
9.	In the science fiction movie, the plan was to	the space vehicle.	
		structure destruction destruct	
10.	In order to solve the case, the detective had to	the crime scene.	
		reconstruct structure obstruct	

Answers

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- **A.** (p. 1)
 - 1. destruct
 - 2. infrastructure
 - 3. construction
 - 4. destruction
 - 5. reconstruct
 - 6. structure
 - 7. obstruction
 - 8. reconstruction
 - 9. obstruct
- 10. construct

B. (p. 2)

- 1. destruction
- 2. obstruction
- 3. reconstruction
- 4. infrastructure
- 5. construct
- 6. construction
- 7. structure
- 8. obstruct
- 9. destruct
- 10. reconstruct