

Name: _____

The Secret Diary of Adrian Mole Aged 13 $\frac{3}{4}$

May – June - July

1. How is buying cigarettes in a hospital ironic?

2. What is forbidden at school?

3. Why is reading a book called “Mill on the Floss” by a bloke called George Eliot funny?

4. That evening, who was Adrian’s father giving the flowers to?

5. Why did Adrian miss the moment of the Royal Wedding?

6. What is wrong with this sentence: I know what Rembrandt felt after painting the Sistine Chapel in Venice?

7. Why is Grandma furious for writing a check?

8. Where are Pandora's parents from?

9. What are Adrian's new school monitor duties?

10. If you were Adrian, would you buy Bert his cigarettes? Explain.

11. How did Adrian find out that Pandora loves him?

12. What is Mrs. O'Leary organizing?

13. Why is Adrian reading "Uncle Tom's Cabin"?

14. Why was the train strange?

15. When is Maxwell a good kid?

16. What would Adrian do if something bad happened to Pandora?

17. Why does Pandora win the medal for “Most Helpful Member of the Year”?

18. Why is Adrian’s skin good?

Does Adrian have good reason to be depressed?

Why do you think Adrian chooses to read the books that he reads?

What do you think happened when Grandma went to speak with Barry Kent's father?
Write out the scene.

Why does Adrian want to paint his room black?

Illustrate how Adrian is an unreliable narrator and explain why. Example: Page 89: His eyes watered – it must be the dust in Bert's house. His house is very dusty.

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Match the words with the definitions

_____ Arson	a) a unimportant follower of a powerful person
_____ minion	b) a formal written request, signed by many people
_____ on the dole	c) an action that violates a law or rule
_____ pittance	d) enough or plenty of something
_____ conformity	e) get ill again or grow worse
_____ petition	f) temporary stay
_____ contravention	g) a ruler who controls in a cruel, oppressive way.
_____ sufficient	h) criminal act of setting fire to property
_____ despot	i) spending time recovering from an illness
_____ relapse	j) on welfare
_____ convalescence	k) physically strong, energetic and in good health
_____ vigor	l) a small amount
_____ sojourn	m) behaving in agreement with socially accepted standards.

Compound Words

Write sixteen compound words using the words provided in the box. Do not use a word in the box more than once.

after	hold	night	sighted
back	house	noon	slaughter
bed	lock	over	south
corn	loud	pad	speaker
fall	man	pan	stile
grown	meal	pepper	turn
hard	mint	quarter	ware
him	near	self	west

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3. _____	4. _____
5. _____	6. _____
7. _____	8. _____
9. _____	10. _____
11. _____	12. _____
13. _____	14. _____
15. _____	16. _____

Connotations and Denotations

Circle the term that seems to leave **the most favorable impression** on a listener regarding the subject of the sentence.

Example:

Sentence: My mother thinks of herself as a _____.

a. home-maker b. house-wife c. stay-at-home wife

The first term, home-maker, is more positive since the overtones of "home" are much more appealing for a mother than "house," and "making" a home sounds much more active and responsible. There are more negative synonyms for her such as "ball and chain" or "old lady" or ridiculously positive ones like "domestic engineer."

1. My mother wrote a note about my absence saying I was too _____ to come to school.

Sick ailing diseased

2 My dad's weight can go up as much as 50 pounds and when he weighs those extra pounds, he seems _____.

heavy-set overweight obese

3 I'm just a poor student so when it comes to Christmas presents for my family I have to be _____.

economical stingy thrifty

4 If the newspaper reporter is my friend, he will write that the police found _____ in the glove box of my car.

controlled-substances narcotics drugs

5 When I die and am buried, I imagine that my body, like everyone else, will _____.

decay decompose rot

6 The coach thinks that his rules are an essential part of the game. That makes him _____.

strict rigid inflexible

7 Though my sister had training, her first few days on the job as a paramedic showed she was _____ when it came to the streets.

ignorant naive unschooled

8 Though my brother worked hard to be a standout on the team, his play was _____.

average mediocre typical

9 As soon as my mother gets her paycheck she heads out to shop. We can count on her to bring back _____ purchases for all of us!

impulsive spontaneous hasty

10 Not everyone has the capacity to be as _____ the ins and outs of cyberspace as I am.

captivated by obsessed with addicted to

Phrasal Verbs with Put

Circle the correct preposition to complete each of the following sentences. Look them up, if you don't know!

1. I can't put _____ with (= handle/tolerate) his behavior any more.

- a) Up b) on c) along

2. Put _____ your name. (= Write your name)

- a) Up b) down c) on

3. She put _____ (= postponed) the meeting until next Thursday.

- a) Out b) away c) off

4. They put _____ (= had/performed) a great show last night.

- a) On b) in c) up

5. Are you putting me _____? (= Are you kidding?)

- a) Up b) over c) on

6. They put me _____ for the night. (= They let me stay at their house for the night.)

- a) Out b) up c) in

7. The firefighters put _____ (= extinguished) the fire.

- a) Out b) off c) on

8. Stop putting everyone _____ ! (= Stop talking negatively about everyone!)

- a) Up b) down c) out

9. Justin Bieber put _____ (= released) a new CD last month.

- a) Up b) out c) on

10. He looks like he put _____ (= gained) some weight.

- a) Off b) in c) on