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Vocabulary Building Worksheet – Level VI – Week 26A

altitude	battered	Passover	sanctuary	activism	absolute
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DEFINITIONS: Numbers 1 through 6 show definitions of the list words. Select the correct word that matches the definition from the two words at the end of each line and write it in the blank space provided.

1. A Jewish festival celebrating the freeing of Jewish slaves from Egypt: _____ (absolute, Passover)
2. A sacred or holy place, as a church – also, means a place of protection: _____ (sanctuary, absolute)
3. Taking part in activities meant to bring about change in society: _____ (activism, battered)
4. To be subjected to repeated beatings or physical abuse: _____ (absolute, battered)
5. The height of something, often defined as distance above sea level: _____ (altitude, absolute)
6. Complete – perfect – not mixed: _____ (altitude, absolute)

DEFINITION CLUES: Choose the word that best goes with the statement or riddle. Write it in the blank space provided.

7. Originally a Jewish celebration, Christians also celebrate this event as a *forgiveness from sin*: _____
8. A ship subjected to strong winds from a hurricane would probably be described as this: _____
9. The height that an airplane flies is described using this term: _____
10. The word precedes the word “zero” and used to define the coldest temperature possible: _____
11. People holding signs in public because they believe something is “unjust” are showing this: _____
12. A national park that prohibits hunting would be this for the animals: _____

FILL-IN-THE-BLANK: Read the sentence. Choose the vocabulary word that best goes in the blank space provided.

13. The world’s tallest mountain is **Mt. Everest**. It is part of the Himalayan mountain range in Asia. It rises to over 29,000 ft (8,840 m). While 2,400 people have climbed to the summit (top) of Mt. Everest, 210 people have lost their lives attempting this feat. People attempting to climb to the summit of Mt. Everest carry oxygen in a tank as the air becomes dangerously thin above an _____ of 10,000 feet.
14. The “**Plagues of Egypt**” (as discussed in the old testament of the Bible) was a series of ten destructive events brought on by God to punish the **Pharaoh** of Egypt. The punishment was for refusing to release the Israelites (people of Israel) who were being held as slaves. The last of the ten plagues was the killing of all first born males in Egyptian families. On the night the deaths were to occur, the Israelites were told to place lambs’ blood on their door posts. This would be a sign to the “Angel of Death” that no one in those houses should be killed. At midnight, the first born Egyptian males were killed. The Pharaoh, who also had a son that was killed, finally agreed to let the Israelites go free. This event is celebrated annually by the Jewish community and is called _____, since the Angel of Death would *pass-over* those homes marked with the blood of the lamb. Christians also celebrate Passover but for a different reason. The Plagues of Egypt are recognized by Christians, Jews and Muslims.
15. **Heat** is a form of **energy**. Touch the roof of a black car sitting in the summer sun and it will be very hot. As the temperature rises, molecules move faster. **Cold** is the absence of heat so molecules in a cold object move and vibrate slower. If all heat is removed from something, it reaches a temperature known as “0 degrees **Kelvin**.” This is equivalent to -273° C or -459° F. As this is the coldest temperature possible, it is called _____ zero and is where molecules basically stop moving.
16. The most deadly hurricane in U.S. history hit Galveston, Texas on September 8, 1900. The hurricane _____ the island with 150 mph (241 kph) winds resulting in the deaths of over 8,000 people.
17. Over 200,000 baby harp seals are killed each year in Canada for their white fur. Some organizations have shown increased _____ and are using boycotts of Canadian seafood in efforts to stop the hunt.
18. About 23,000 **elephants** are killed by poachers each year (2005) for their ivory **tusks**. Elephants are given greater protection from poachers at the Mwaluganje _____ in East Africa, in Kenya.

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eldest	represented	Netherlands	self-sufficient	empathy	peppermint
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DEFINITIONS: Numbers 1 through 6 show definitions of the list words. Select the correct word that matches the definition from the two words at the end of each line and write it in the blank space provided.

1. European country in west Europe bordering Germany and Belgium: _____ (Netherlands, empathy)
2. Understanding and caring about the suffering or hardships of another: _____ (eldest, empathy)
3. A plant, cultivated for its flavorful oil, often used in candy: _____ (peppermint, represented)
4. Something that stands and speaks for something else: _____ (represented, self-sufficient)
5. Taking care of one's own needs without help from others: _____ (eldest, self-sufficient)
6. First born – brother or sister of greatest age: _____ (eldest, empathy)

DEFINITION CLUES: Choose the word that best goes with the statement or riddle. Write it in the blank space provided.

7. If your brother was 10 years old and you were 12, you would be considered this: _____
8. This country, located just west of Germany, speaks Dutch and is often called Holland: _____
9. People work to finish school and college to achieve a better life so they can become this: _____
10. People feeling this emotion are more likely to donate money to others facing hardships: _____
11. In a *Republic* type of government, voters elect members to Congress to ensure they are this: _____
12. This flavoring is used in chewing gum, ice cream, tea and toothpaste: _____

FILL-IN-THE-BLANK: Read the sentence. Choose the vocabulary word that best goes in the blank space provided.

13. Nearly 38 million Africans were living under the threat of starvation in mid-2002 according to estimates by the United Nation's **World Food Program**. The reasons for this famine are many, including drought and other difficult living circumstances. In 2002, 3-5 million people were unable to feed themselves in the African country of **Ethiopia**. The World Food Program was created by the **United Nations** to assist starving people around the world. In 2007, they helped feed 86 million people in 80 countries. The food they provide comes from donations around the world. After watching a video of starving children in Africa it is easy to feel _____ for them as well as a desire to help in some way.
14. The **Dutch Wars** were a series of naval conflicts between the English and Dutch in the mid to late 1600's (17th century). England was the aggressor in these wars as it was not happy with Dutch competition in world trade. While the term English refers to people who come from England, the term Dutch refers to people who come from Holland, or any of the other provinces in the country of the _____.
15. There is a 4 step process to make a law in the United States. First, a member of the **Senate** or **House of Representatives** gets an idea for a new law that he or she thinks will help society. This "idea" is written up and called a **bill**. The bill is then voted upon by the Senate and House of Representatives on whether they think the bill is a good idea. If the bill "passes" both the Senate and House of Representatives, it is then sent to the President who can either sign the bill into law or **veto** the bill. A veto means the president does not like the new law. There are 100 members in the Senate, with each state being represented by 2 senators. The House of Representatives has 435 members (often called Congressman). Each state is _____ by different numbers of Congressmen, depending on the state's population.
16. Earning a living in today's society is not easy. It is unfortunate, but some people never learn enough skills to afford living on their own and must rely on their parents for assistance. Other people are wise enough to work hard at their education so they can acquire a good job and become _____.
17. **John Kennedy** was the 35th president of the United States. He was assassinated while riding in a car in Dallas, Texas in 1963. Although he was not the oldest, he was the second _____ of nine siblings.
18. Commonly used in candy and ice cream, _____ is also used as a natural and safe pesticide.

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Vocabulary Building Worksheet – Level VI – Week 26C

misfortune	infer	interact	inhabitants	silkworm	issues
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DEFINITIONS: Numbers 1 through 6 show definitions of the list words. Select the correct word that matches the definition from the two words at the end of each line and write it in the blank space provided.

1. To guess or conclude something by looking at related circumstances: _____ (infer, interact)
2. People (or any life form) that lives at a specific location: _____ (issues, inhabitants)
3. Encountering a bad situation - bad luck: _____ (misfortune, silkworm)
4. Important circumstances that need to be considered or addressed: _____ (interact, issues)
5. The larva of an Asian moth, used in making the textile silk: _____ (interact, silkworm)
6. Participating together in conversation, play etc.: _____ (inhabitants, interact)

DEFINITION CLUES: Choose the word that best goes with the statement or riddle. Write it in the blank space provided.

7. Someone who is “shy” would probably not enjoy doing this with other people at a party: _____
8. Losing one’s wallet or even being in a plane crash would be an example of this: _____
9. Polar bears, killer whales, seals, and walruses are all considered this, as part of the Arctic: _____
10. “Cause and Effect” is a scientific process used to come to conclusions by having someone do this: _____
11. These are what are considered important to someone and could be anything: _____
12. Silk is a soft high quality material made from the cocoon’s of this larva: _____

FILL-IN-THE-BLANK: Read the sentence. Choose the vocabulary word that best goes in the blank space provided.

13. **Samuel de Champlain** is known as “*The Father of New France.*” **New France** was the area of eastern Canada colonized by the French. Champlain is credited with being the founder of Quebec City in Canada in 1608. The French first attempted to colonize Canada in the 1500’s. This met with tragedy due to the harsh winters. By 1630, one French colony in Quebec had 103 colonists and grew to 340 members by 1640. While beavers were nearly wiped out in France due to over hunting, they were plentiful in Canada. This encouraged the French to send more ships to the area. After Champlain arrived in Quebec, he made friends with the native _____ of the area, which the French called the Hurons and Alonquins.
14. Champlain made alliances with the **Hurons** and **Alonquins** to encourage friendship and avoid conflicts. He agreed to help the Hurons with their battles against another tribe known as the **Iroquois**, at one point, even shooting and killing an Iroquois chief with his rifle. By doing this he increased his colony’s chances for survival and prosperity. Champlain also spent one winter with the Hurons. Being able to _____ with them closely, he would learn about their land, their manners, customs and way of life.
15. When one thing causes something else to happen, it is called **cause and effect**. For example, a scientist called an epidemiologist (ep-ih-dee-mee-ol-ih-jist), uses cause and effect to determine if different things around people may be causing illness. For example, an epidemiologist may divide people into two groups, one group that smokes cigarettes and one group that does not. If the group that smokes has 10 people die of lung cancer while the group that doesn’t smoke has only 1 person die of lung cancer, the epidemiologist could _____ that smoking does in fact, greatly increase the risk of dying from lung cancer.
16. Throughout medieval Europe, **silk** was used to make royal clothes and furniture coverings. Silk is made from the cocoons of the _____. A cocoon contains 2,000 to 3,000 ft (610-915 m) of filament.
17. In the 1st and 2nd century, silk was imported into Greece and Rome, coming out of China. To protect their trade, if someone took silkworms out of China, they would suffer the _____ of death.
18. Imagine if you traveled for two months across the **Atlantic Ocean** to begin a new colony in America. Upon arriving - housing, food and fresh water would be the first _____ to address.

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Vocabulary Building Worksheet – Level VI – Week 26D

disabled	foster	Socrates	prosperity	substance	subtropics
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DEFINITIONS: Numbers 1 through 6 show definitions of the list words. Select the correct word that matches the definition from the two words at the end of each line and write it in the blank space provided.

1. A successful and thriving situation, especially in financial respects: _____ (foster, prosperity)
2. To encourage healthy growth – to guide mental development: _____ (foster, substance)
3. Physical matter or material – that of which something is made of: _____ (foster, substance)
4. Crippled or injured – something that is unable to function as intended: _____ (disabled, foster)
5. The areas adjacent to the warm tropic zones on Earth: _____ (subtropics, Socrates)
6. Greek philosopher, proclaimed the “wisest man” in Greece: _____ (Socrates, substance)

DEFINITION CLUES: Choose the word that best goes with the statement or riddle. Write it in the blank space provided.

7. A ship that was still afloat, but couldn't move because of a damaged propeller would be this: _____
8. A town growing because of an increase in jobs and income would be showing this: _____
9. Wood, water, oil, and for that matter, any material on earth would be an example of this: _____
10. This geographical region just outside the tropics experiences cooler temperatures: _____
11. This famous Greek philosopher lived for 70 years from 469-399 BC.: _____
12. Parents and teachers try to do this to students' ideas to encourage development: _____

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13. Lines of **latitude** help identify locations north and south of the equator. The equator is the starting point for latitude lines and is measured at 0 degrees. At about 23° north latitude (above the equator) is a special latitude line called the **Tropic of Cancer**. At about 23° south latitude is another special latitude line called the **Tropic of Capricorn**. All geographic locations between the Tropic of Cancer and Tropic of Capricorn are part of the **Tropics**. Areas just outside the Tropics, north of the Tropic of Cancer and just south of the Tropic of Capricorn are called the _____ as their climate is slightly cooler than the Tropics.
14. Moral conduct is considered doing what is “the right thing to do.” This generally means doing things that do not harm others, but instead, help to make the lives of all things better. **Ethics** is a branch of philosophy that goes beyond just moral conduct, and includes discussion on “the good life” or a life worth living. **Aristotle** was a Greek philosopher who believed that when a person realizes his full potential, he will do good and be content. Unhappiness and frustration are caused by unrealized potential. Another Greek philosopher contributed greatly to the field of ethics. He believed that truly wise men will know what is right, do what is good and therefore be happy. His name was _____ and was Aristotle's teacher.
15. The **California Gold Rush** began on January 24, 1848 when gold was discovered by James Marshall at Sutter's Mill in Coloma, California. Tens of thousands of people came from across America, Latin America, Europe, Australia and Asia in hopes of getting rich, however, most left with nothing. Gold worth billions of dollars in today's money was discovered. This money allowed towns such as **San Francisco, California** to experience _____ enabling them to build more roads, churches and schools.
16. Life is not easy and requires hard work. To increase your chances of a happier and successful life, your teacher tries to _____ ideas by having discussions and questioning on important topics.
17. The Japanese attacked U.S. forces in **Pearl Harbor** in 1941 to prevent the U.S. from slowing their plans to acquire oil and rubber. Although the attack was deadly, the U.S. forces were not entirely _____.
18. **Tooth decay** occurs when bacteria in the mouth causes a cavity in the tooth. Dentists sometimes repair cavities by filling them with what is called an **amalgam**. Amalgams, also called “silver fillings”, are about 50% mercury and only 30% silver. Mercury is a toxic _____ that is liquid at room temperature.