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Vocabulary Building Worksheet – Level VI – Week 27A

curb	currency	sturdy	turbine	cursive	Burgoyne
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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. Strongly built – strong – not weak: _____ (turbine, sturdy)
2. British general during the American Revolution: _____ (turbine, Burgoyne)
3. Anything that acts to reduce or control something: _____ (curb, cursive)
4. Something used as money: _____ (currency, cursive)
5. A type of handwriting in which letters are connected: _____ (cursive, turbine)
6. A special engine powered by a continuous stream of gas or liquid: _____ (Burgoyne, turbine)

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

7. Some airplanes and generators in electric power plants are powered by this type of engine: _____
8. After a large earthquake, any building left standing could be called this: _____
9. The American dollar, Japanese yen, European euro, and Mexican peso are examples of this: _____
10. If the prices of goods rises too quickly, a government should try to do this to rising prices: _____
11. This British General is known as a playwright and his plan to end the Revolutionary War: _____
12. Arabic writing is an example of this since its letters are always connected by a flowing line: _____

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

13. **Inflation** occurs when the prices of goods (things you buy) and services (things people do for you) cost more today than last year. Let's say you went grocery shopping last year and purchased a bag of groceries for \$100. If you went shopping today and the same groceries cost \$102, we could say that inflation increased 2% for the year. If, however, that same bag of groceries cost \$110 today, we could say that inflation was 10%. While inflation of 2% is considered normal, inflation of 10% creates serious hardships for society. If inflation is too high, a government can _____ inflation using various techniques.
14. Making fake money, called **counterfeiting**, was sometimes punished by "death." This was because counterfeiting was considered a form of treason. Some nations used counterfeiting in warfare. The British flooded the American colonies with fake _____ as a way of weakening its economy during the American Revolution. Economists state that high inflation results from having too much money in circulation while low or moderate inflation results from changes in demand for goods and services.
15. The **Saratoga Campaign** was a plan by the British for winning the Revolutionary War against America. The goal of the Saratoga Campaign was to split the American colonies by taking control of the Hudson River. After many battles, the campaign ended with the capture of 9,000 British Army soldiers led by General John _____ on October 17, 1777. The **Battles of Saratoga** are considered the turning point for the Americans in winning the Revolutionary War against the British.
16. In the languages of Arabic and Latin, the letters in words are all connected, thereby making a word one single complex stroke. When letters are connected it is called _____ writing.
17. The **Richter Scale** is used to measure the intensity of earthquakes. It runs from 0 to 10 with 10 being the strongest earthquake. Each number represents an earthquake that is ten times stronger than the previous number. For example, a 7.0 earthquake, considered a major earthquake, is ten times stronger than a 6.0 earthquake. Buildings that withstand a 7.0 or higher earthquakes are certainly _____.
18. The **Hoover Dam** is one of the world's largest dams located along the Colorado River between Nevada and Arizona. It is 726 ft (221 m) high and produces electricity using a water _____ generator.

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Vocabulary Building Worksheet – Level VI – Week 27B

per	persecute	thermal	Persian	perceive	Cherokee
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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. For each one – often used in showing the price for an item: _____ (Persian, per)
2. Native Americans formerly living in Georgia, Tennessee and Carolinas: _____ (Cherokee, Persian)
3. An empire of southwest Asia founded by Cyrus II after 546 BC: _____ (persecuted, Persian)
4. Related to, or caused by heat: _____ (per, thermal)
5. To become aware of something, usually by sight or hearing: _____ (persecute, perceive)
6. To bother or harass someone because of religion, race or beliefs: _____ (persecute, perceive)

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

7. Name calling or physical abuse to someone because of their religion would be an example of this: _____
8. Afternoon breezes caused by the sun heating the land is an example of this process: _____
9. This ancient empire created by Cyrus the Great was conquered by Alexander the Great: _____
10. People involved in commerce may use this term to describe the cost of something they are selling: _____
11. A synonym for the words understand, recognize and aware: _____
12. This Native American group were forced to move out of their lands in eastern U.S.: _____

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

13. The **Yamasee War** was a conflict from 1715 to 1717 between colonial South Carolina and Native American Indian tribes. About 7% of South Carolina's citizens were killed. For over a year, South Carolina faced the possibility of complete destruction. Causes of the war were many and included – the **Indian slave trade** – depletion of deer from the deerskin trade – abuses in fur trading – increased Indian debts and land expansion by colonists into Indian territory. Various Native American tribes were involved including the Yamasse, Creek, Chickasaw, Catawba, and Apalachee. South Carolina would most likely have been wiped-out if not for the _____ tribe who joined to fight with the colonists.
14. Go to the beach early in the morning and there probably won't be much wind. On a sunny day, by mid-afternoon, the wind may be blowing from the ocean to the land with great force. This afternoon coastal wind occurs because the sun heats the land faster than the ocean. This fast rising hot land air pulls in the cooler ocean air which we feel as a breeze. This type of sun driven wind is called a _____ wind.
15. **Alexander the Great** (356-323 BC) was one of the most successful military commanders of all time and is supposedly undefeated in battle. He is also known as Alexander III of Macedon. Macedon (or Macedonia) was the name of the kingdom he controlled in the northernmost part of ancient Greece. After suppressing rebellions in southern Greece, Alexander began expanding his empire to the east. He conquered the _____ Empire, including Syria, Judea, Gaza, Egypt, Bactria and Mesopotamia.
16. Wholesalers are often called middlemen since they buy from the manufacturer (producer) and sell to the actual store (retailer). Common practice in business is to reduce the price of goods if a retailer buys a larger quantity. For example, a wholesaler may sell one box of fireworks for \$20. However, if the retailer buys 10 or more boxes, the wholesaler may drop the price _____ box to \$18.
17. The **Holocaust** is the term used to describe the killing of approximately six million European Jews during World War II. The Jews were not the only group to be treated unjustly, as the German Nazis would _____ and often kill members of other groups they considered inferior or undesirable.
18. In times of war, leaders will sometimes say whatever is necessary so that their army (and public) will _____ their aggressive and violent actions as being "good" for the country.

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Vocabulary Building Worksheet – Level VI – Week 27C

form	former	portable	correspond	Cornwallis	flourished
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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. Capable of easily being moved from one place to another: _____ (flourished, portable)
2. The way something appears – its shape: _____ (form, former)
3. A British general who fought during the Revolutionary War: _____ (Cornwallis, former)
4. To grow well – to do well – thrive: _____ (correspond, flourished)
5. Before – prior – previously been: _____ (former, form)
6. To communicate by written form, such as in letters (or email): _____ (Cornwallis, correspond)

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

7. This British General surrendered to George Washington at Yorktown, Virginia in 1781: _____
8. A teacher you had before your present teacher could be called this: _____
9. Computers made in the 1960's were quite large, and therefore, could not be called this: _____
10. Bring water to a temperature of about 212°F (100°C) and this will change: _____
11. Prior to the invention of the telephone, people would write letters to do this: _____
12. Although extinct today, dinosaurs were believed to have done this 65 million years ago: _____

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

13. The **Pony Express** was a horse operated mail relay service designed to bring faster mail delivery than conventional “wagon train” delivery. A rider on horseback would carry mail for approximately 10-15 miles (16-24 km) at which point he would change to a new, “fresh” horse. After riding a certain distance, he would then give the mail to another rider who would continue the journey. They could travel 2,000 miles in just 10 days! The Pony Express existed from 1860-1861 until the invention of the telegraph. For its short existence, it did, however, enable people to _____ in far less time.
14. Not to be confused with the U.S. Civil War, the **American Revolutionary War** was fought 90 years earlier from 1775 to 1783. It was the war between the Americans and British. The **Battle of Yorktown** in 1781 was the last major battle of the American Revolutionary War. The battle was an American and French team effort, against the British dug in at Yorktown, Pennsylvania. The Americans (led by George Washington) and the French, began the attack by canon fire on buildings thought to be occupied by the British. After about 3 weeks, on the morning of October 17th, General _____ surrendered, resulting in the capture of 8,000 troops, 214 artillery pieces, thousands of muskets and 24 transport ships.
15. The earth is estimated to be about 5 billion years old. In order to make some sense of time periods so long ago, scientists created a **Geologic Timescale**. The **Precambrian era** is the oldest era lasting from 600 million to 500 million years ago. The **Paleozoic era** lasted from 500 million to 225 million years ago. The **Mesozoic era** (called the middle era), lasted from 225 million to 65 million years ago while the **Cenozoic era** is the most recent era going from 65 million years ago to the present. While dinosaurs have been extinct for many millions of years, they _____ in the Mesozoic era.
16. The first commercially available computer was called the **UNIVAC**. It was purchased by the **U.S. Census Bureau** in 1951. Univac filled a room and weighed 29,000 lbs, making it anything but _____.
17. In physics, the term **matter** refers to anything that has mass or occupies space. There are typically “three states of matter” in which matter can be in the _____ of a solid, liquid or gas.
18. Some of the world’s most ancient settlements have been located in the country of Iran, some dating back to 4000 BC. The country’s _____ name was Persia and changed to Iran in 1935.

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Vocabulary Building Worksheet – Level VI – Week 27D

Clark	Sargon	term	persist	Jerusalem	pluralistic
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1. Part of a two man team who explored western U.S. after Louisiana Purchase: _____ (Sargon, Clark)
2. An ancient holy city and capital of the country of Israel: _____ (Jerusalem, Sargon)
3. To last or continue for a long time - endure: _____ (pluralistic, persist)
4. The time period for which something lasts: _____ (Sargon, term)
5. Founder of the Akkadian kingdom and ruler of Mesopotamia from 2340-2305 BC.: _____
6. The idea that we should tolerate racial, religious or other cultural groups: _____

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

7. The U.S. President is elected to office for 4 years. This 4 year period is also called this: _____
8. The term biodegradable means that the material decomposes readily and does not do this: _____
9. This person established a great empire in Mesopotamia thousands of years ago: _____
10. Lewis Meriwether selected this man to help him explore new territory in North America: _____
11. This city is sacred to Christians, Jews, and Muslims and is one of the oldest cities in the world: _____
12. Having this philosophy would enable people to get along better and avoid conflict: _____

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

13. The **Euphrates** (yoo-fray-teez) river is the longest river in southeast Asia. It begins in the mountains of Turkey and flows southeast through Syria and Iraq and then joins with the Tigris river, emptying into the Persian Gulf. You'll often read about Mesopotamia when studying history. **Mesopotamia** refers to the region between the Euphrates and Tigris rivers, located in central modern Iraq. The Euphrates provided water that led to the first large civilization in **Sumer**, dating back about 4,000 BC. Sumer was conquered by _____ the Great around 2330, thus beginning the **Akkadian dynasty**.
14. The **Louisiana Purchase** was the sale of French owned land in North America to the United States in 1803. The land included many present day mid-western states and extended from Canada down to Louisiana. The U.S. wanted to purchase this land to prevent any threat France may have had to American expansion. A few weeks after the Louisiana Purchase, President Thomas Jefferson had Congress set aside \$2,500 for an expedition to explore this new territory. The expedition was to gather information on Native American Indian Tribes, botany (plants), geology (rocks and minerals), terrain and wildlife in the region. President Jefferson selected Captain Meriwether Lewis to lead the expedition. Lewis then selected William _____ as his partner. The men made a major contribution to the mapping of North America.
15. The **Temple Mount**, also called **Mount Moriah**, is considered the holiest site in Judaism. It is also known as the **Noble Sanctuary** by Muslims. It is located in the country of Israel, in the city of _____.
16. There is not always one correct answer for everything. For example, countries have different legal systems, different political systems and different values. There are also many small groups within a society that maintain their unique cultural identities. Whether it is a country's values, political system, or culture, acknowledgement and understanding of these differences is called _____.
17. A member of the **U.S. Senate** is called a **senator**. There are 100 senators altogether with each state being represented by two senators. Senators serve a _____ of six years before coming up for re-election.
18. To reduce the damage caused by pollution, it is essential for a society to reduce and eliminate compounds that _____ in the environment.