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Wrangle Wordplay: A 4th Grade Vocabulary Safari Quiz

Students navigate a linguistic jungle to resolve shades of meaning and sound-alike traps through high-level text analysis and synonym-antonym evaluation.

1. In the sentence, 'The botanist found a peculiar orchid in the rainforest,' which synonym for 'peculiar' best emphasizes that the flower was rare and unusual, rather than just strange?

- A. Common
- B. Bizarre
- C. Ordinary
- D. Unique

2. The words 'stationary' (fixed in one place) and 'stationery' (writing paper) are homophones because they share the same pronunciation but have different spellings and meanings.

- A. True
- B. False

3. The architect designed a ___ tower that could be seen from miles away; however, her previous project was a ___ cottage tucked away in the woods. (Select the pair of antonyms that best completes the contrast.)

- A. massive / diminutive
- B. tall / high
- C. sturdy / strong
- D. concrete / wooden

4. Which sentence uses the correct homophone to describe a person's influential role in a school?

- A. The principle of the school led the assembly.
- B. The principal of the school led the assembly.
- C. The school has a strict principal against lying.
- D. The assembly was led by the school's prince-pull.

5. Read this line: 'The chef was ____ when the critic praised the meal.' If you want to show the chef felt extremely proud and successful, which synonym fits best?

- A. Content
- B. Pleasant
- C. Triumphant
- D. Okay

6. The words 'expand' and 'contract' are synonyms used to describe the way lungs move during breathing.

- A. True

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B. False

7. Choose the sentence that correctly uses a homophone for a piece of wood used in construction.

- A. The carpenter nailed the board to the wall.
- B. The student felt board during the lecture.
- C. We went on board the ship.
- D. They were bored with the game.

8. Identify the antonym for 'courageous' that best describes someone who is easily frightened in a spooky situation.

- A. Fearless
- B. Valiant
- C. Bold
- D. Timid

9. Analyze the following sentence: 'The hiker reached the summit of the mountain after a grueling climb.' Which word is an antonym for 'summit' in this context?

- A. Peak
- B. Base
- C. Apex
- D. Zenith

10. In the sentence, 'I can't wait to hear the tail of your adventures,' the word 'tail' is used correctly.

- A. True
- B. False