

The Giver

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Vocabulary Worksheet 1

A. Context Clues. Using the clues provided in each sentence, write the meaning of each highlighted word on the line. Do not use a dictionary.

1. Your ease in fixing this clock shows an **aptitude** for mechanics.

Aptitude means: _____

2. How **ironic** that while the children sang well, it was the director who forgot the words!

Ironic means: _____

3. Don't be **distraught**! Pray for help with your troubles.

Distraught means: _____

4. For what **transgression** is he being punished this time?

Transgression means: _____

5. The group quietly **gravitated** toward the joyous music.

Gravitated means: _____

6. When Grandfather laughs, he sometimes snorts. We giggle at his **chortling**.

Chortle means: _____

7. **Adherence** to the rules is expected. You must obey them.

Adherence means: _____



8. Mom wants **palpable** proof, tangible evidence, not hearsay.

Palpable means: _____

9. Since the noise **distracted** her, she moved to a quieter spot.

Distracted means: _____

10. After the accident, it took months of therapy to **rehabilitate** her legs. Now she can walk, run and jump.

Rehabilitate means: _____

11. Will I be **chastised** for my error? What will my punishment be?

Chastise means: _____

12. It took skill and experience to **navigate** around the rocks.

Navigate means: _____

13. She replied **petulantly**, "I'm not going and you can't make me!"

Petulantly means: _____

14. It is natural to feel **apprehensive** about this test, but quit worrying and ask the Lord to help you do your best.

Apprehensive means: _____

15. The scores will first be **tabulated**, then the list will be posted on the bulletin board.

Tabulated means: _____



B. Matching. Write each word in front of its definition.

adherence apprehensive aptitude chastise chortle

- _____ *n.* a snorting, joyful laugh or chuckle; cackle
_____ *v.* to snicker or crow; blend of chuckle and snort
_____ *n.* devotion, faithful attachment, union, adhesion, association
_____ *n.* ability, talent, intelligence, appropriateness, fitness, faculty, propensity, qualification
_____ *adj.* afraid, anguished, nervous, distressed, troubled, dismayed, disquieted
_____ *v.* punish, criticize, rebuke, reproach, castigate, reprimand

distracted distraught gravitating ironic navigate

- _____ *v.* guide, steer, pilot, control the course and position of a ship, follow a planned course
_____ *adj.* sarcastic, mocking, contradictory, paradoxical, cynical
_____ *adj.* having the attention diverted, suffering conflicting emotions, restless, overexcited
_____ *v.* moving downward, settling, sinking
_____ *adj.* attracted by an irresistible force, drawn to
_____ *adj.* deeply agitated, abstracted, troubled, confused, suffering from emotional conflict

palpable petulantly rehabilitate tabulated transgression

- _____ *adj.* capable of being handled, touched or felt; tangible, obvious, material
_____ *v.* put in table form, condensed and listed, itemized, indexed, catalogued, inventoried
_____ *v.* restore to good health or condition, recall, reappoint, reestablish, refresh
_____ *adv.* contemptuously, cantankerously, snarlingly
_____ *n.* violation of a law, command, or duty; misdeed, trespass, sin, crime



C. Glossary. Write the *definition* or a *synonym* and *usual part of speech* for each word in this lesson in your Glossary or on your spelling flash cards. Check here when finished. 

D. Mixed up Definitions. The sentences below do not have “precise language”. Each highlighted word is in the wrong place. Write the correct vocabulary word above the highlighted word where it belongs.

1. Ned **tabulated** the ship through the narrow channel.
2. Allan’s special **transgression** is working with teenagers.
3. Charlie emitted a funny little **adherence** at the joke.
4. Denise is **palpable** over the distressing news.
5. Tammy will **navigate** these numbers for you.
6. Will Ryan’s legs **chastise** with therapy?
7. **Apprehension** to the rules is mandatory.
8. Imogene’s laughter was a **gravitating** response to the somber situation.
9. Polly made a bold, **ironic** mistake on the first page.
10. Greg said he subconsciously **chortled** towards the magazines.
11. I wish we didn’t have to **rehabilitate** our puppy for chewing up the slippers.
12. Peter was punished for speaking **distractedly**.
13. Trey asked the Lord to forgive him for his **aptitude**.
14. There’s no reason to feel **petulant**, the Lord can soothe your nervousness.
15. She was **distraught** by the laughter from the party.

E. Review. Drill your vocabulary words by using your spelling flashcards. For each word give its part of speech and meaning.

