

• **Word Definition 3** Level 4

Directions: Choose the answer choice that best defines the word in capital letters.

1) TRADITION

- A. a custom or part of a culture
- B. a thing given in exchange for something else
- C. a person who performs in plays
- D. a place where someone buys things

2) EMPTY

- A. not sick
- B. not lazy
- C. not full
- D. not creative

3) BAN

- A. to combine
- B. to praise
- C. to break
- D. to not allow

4) DESIRE

- A. an award or prize
- B. a call or signal
- C. a hat or cap
- D. a wish or want

5) FLAWED

- A. imperfect or incorrect
- B. wonderful or great
- C. trustworthy or honest
- D. elegant or formal

6) ARREST

- A. to hurt or attack someone
- B. to look at something closely
- C. to capture or hold back
- D. to trade something for something else

7) MASTER

- A. to become taller
- B. to lower in price
- C. to gain great skill
- D. to work for someone

8) POINTLESS

- A. useless
- B. independent
- C. plain
- D. unhealthy

9) TRAGIC

- A. very old
- B. very quiet
- C. very sweet
- D. very sad

10) MODEST

- A. having no money
- B. not bragging
- C. comfortable
- D. not exciting

Answers and Explanations

1) **A**

tradition (*noun*): a custom or part of a culture: *It is a tradition in most of the Western world to decorate a tree every Christmas, but other parts of the world have different customs.*

2) **C**

empty (*adjective*): not full: *After I drank the entire bottle of soda, the bottle was empty.*

3) **D**

ban (*verb*): to not allow something: *For part of the twentieth century, the US government banned alcohol, so it was against the law to buy it.*

4) **D**

desire (*noun*): a wish or want: *Charlie wants to go to Las Vegas, but I have no desire to travel there.*

5) **A**

flawed (*adjective*): imperfect or correct: *Kristoff's attempt to solve the math problem was flawed, and he came to the wrong answer as a result.*

6) **C**

arrest (*verb*): to capture or hold back: *The police arrested the man who robbed the video game store, so now he is in jail.*

7) **C**

master (*verb*): to earn great skill: *It took me years of hard study to master French, but now I can speak the language perfectly.*

8) **A**

pointless (*adjective*): useless: *It is pointless to try to teach a dog to speak Spanish because the dog will never be able to do it.*

9) **D**

tragic (*adjective*): very sad: *The news today was tragic, and I cried all morning because of it.*

10) **B**

modest (*adjective*): not bragging or thinking too highly of oneself: *Raquel was very modest about winning first place because she knows that bragging is rude.*