

Grade 3 Classroom Reference Challenge Worksheet

Set 009

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Name: _____ Date: _____

Use alphabetical order, guide words, dictionary entries, and reference-source purposes to answer each item.

1. Write these words in alphabetical order: candle, window, lantern, basket, coral.

Answer: _____

2. Would the word comet appear on a dictionary page with guide words candle and crane?

Answer: _____

3. Which reference source would best help a student find the definition and pronunciation of a word?

A dictionary

B thesaurus

C atlas

D encyclopedia

4. Dictionary entry: journey — a trip from one place to another. What part of speech is journey in this entry?

A noun

B verb

C adjective

D adverb

5. Write these words in alphabetical order: meadow, wagon, dragon, basket, comet.

Answer: _____

6. Would the word crane appear on a dictionary page with guide words comet and dragon?

Answer: _____

7. Which reference source would best help a student find a synonym for the word happy?

A dictionary

B thesaurus

C atlas

D encyclopedia

8. Dictionary entry: sturdy — strong and firmly built. What part of speech is sturdy in this entry?

A noun

B verb

C adjective

D adverb

9. Write these words in alphabetical order: cabin, dragon, winter, silver, meadow.

Answer: _____

10. Would the word sparrow appear on a dictionary page with guide words saddle and timber?

Answer: _____

11. Which reference source would best help a student find background facts about a historical event?

A dictionary

B thesaurus

C atlas

D encyclopedia

12. Dictionary entry: observe — to watch carefully. What part of speech is observe in this entry?

A noun

B verb

C adjective

D adverb

Answer Key

Answers for all 12 questions

1. basket, candle, coral, lantern, window	2. yes
3. dictionary	4. noun
5. basket, comet, dragon, meadow, wagon	6. yes
7. thesaurus	8. adjective
9. cabin, dragon, meadow, silver, winter	10. yes
11. encyclopedia	12. verb