

“The Pedestrian” and “Long Way Home” Vocabulary (Don’t give this sheet to the kids)

1. Regressive (adj.): tending to revert; relapse, slip back, go backward
2. Scrutinize (v): inspect; examine, study
3. Enticing (adj.): tempting; alluring, appealing; attractive
4. Ebbing (v): go out; recede; diminish
5. Subjective (adj.): slanted; biased; prejudiced; skewed; one-sided
6. Pilgrimage (n): journey; quest
7. Intermittent (adj.): irregular; blinking; alternating
8. Manifest (v): show; display; reveal; exhibit
9. Riveted (adj.): engrossed; wrapped up; fascinated
10. Incandescence (n): glow; radiance; light

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I: Completing the sentence: Use a word from the list to complete the sentence. You may change the form of the word.

1. The literature teacher had to _____ 175 student essays over the weekend.
2. After about five hours, the remote control and the 50 inch television looked _____.
3. He decided to watch one minute of the Patriot game and he became _____ to the screen.
4. Tears dropped in _____ streaks as he saw that his team’s quarterback was injured.
5. Negative feelings about the outcome of the season began to _____ in his mind.
6. The Patriots hopes to return to the playoffs seemed to be _____.
7. He feared that they would _____ to the poor team that they were before Tom Brady arrived.
8. He decided to make a _____ to his far away church to pray for his team.
9. He went back slowly to the grading of the essays and tried not to be _____ to any of his students.
10. But under the _____ of his table lamp, he realized that he should have said a prayer for the students and their writing skills, not for the Patriots.

II: Synonyms: Write the word from the list that means the same as the words provided.

1. Sparkle; warmth; luminosity
2. Flashing; discontinuous; sporadic
3. Retreat; lesson; fade; wane
4. Relapse; slip back; lapse
5. Inspect; observe; study
6. Expose; divulge; tell; make public
7. Spellbound; awestruck; rapt; enthralled
8. Charming; captivating; tempting
9. Predisposed; inclined; unfair
10. Voyage; expedition; passage

III: Antonyms: Write the word that means the opposite of the words provided.

1. Dullness; gloom; cloudiness
2. Frequent; repeated; fixed; common
3. Fair; even-handed; neutral
4. Progress; advance; expand; go ahead
5. Horrid; nasty; menacing
6. Ignore; disregard; overlook

IV: Choose the right word to complete the sentence.

1. Brennan's ability to get on the teacher's nerves seems to be (ebbing, riveting) and he is doing much better in class.
2. The honors students are (subjected, riveted) to the struggle that Dantes finds himself in.
3. Starting an essay with a question or quote is (intermittent, regressive) writing.
4. Chris Gonzalez shows to class (intermittently, pilgrimage).
5. Sleeping in and not showing up to Zero Period is (incandescent, enticing).

V: Etymology: Use the dictionary information to complete the word's etymology.

Regressive: Origin: 1325–75; ME *regresse* (n.) < L *re* + *gradī* to step, walk, go + *-tus* suffix of v. action, with *dt* > *ss*]

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Ebbing: [Origin: bef. 1000; (n.) ME *Ebbe* place where water backs up; (v.)

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Subjective: [Origin: 1275–1325; (adj.) < L *sub* + *-jec-*, comb. form of *jacere* to throw + *-tus* ptp.

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