

Tier 2 words worksheet 1

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The sentences below each contain a word in bold. Read the sentence and then write down what you think the bold word means.

Louise is a gymnast and is very **agile**.

His poor marks on the test were due to his **apathy** towards the subject.

After a long chase, the police **apprehended** the thief.

I did not understand any of the referee's choices. He seemed to make **arbitrary** decisions.

Greg was not very **articulate** and I did not understand what he was trying to say.

We **assumed** the football match would be cancelled because of the bad weather.

The criminal made an **audacious** escape by disguising himself as a prison officer.

The police officer had the **authority** to arrest lawbreakers.

Michael was an **avid** reader of the Beano.

Steven has a bad temper and is often **belligerent** to other people.

The star-nosed mole is a very **bizarre** animal.

At first I did not understand Linda's directions but Kris helped to **clarify** them.

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The sentences below each contain a word in bold. Read the sentence and then write down what you think the bold word means.

Once everybody had arrived, they were able to **commence** the meeting.

The teacher **confiscated** Maura's phone during the lesson.

I asked Polly to join the team because she was **consistently** good during practices.

Nigel had a **conventional** childhood unlike his wife, who spent most of her youth travelling on a boat.

The mirrors along the wall were very **deceptive** as they made the room look twice as large as it was.

The building stood alone in a **desolate** wasteland.

The knight could just **discern** a figure lurking in the shadows.

Our relatives were all **disgruntled** by Khusro's constant lateness and selfishness.

The **elite** soldiers were sent on an important mission.

The new curtains **enhanced** the look of the bedroom.

Tom is an **exceptional** student who does well in everything he tries.

Joshua felt an **excruciating** pain when he dropped the paving slab on his foot.

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I was not sure about Dan's plan but he assured me it was **feasible**.

Leo became **flustered** because he was trying to do too many things at once.

After weeks lost at sea, the shipwrecked sailors looked very **gaunt**.

After working through the night, Bill looked **haggard** as he walked home.

The old building was an important part of the town's **heritage**.

It is **imperative** that the parcel is delivered today.

Fireflies and glow-worms are **luminous** beetles.

Phone boxes are becoming **obsolete** now that most people carry mobile phones.

Many of the soldiers were wounded in the enemy's **onslaught**.

The **perspective** in your drawing is wrong. The car looks taller than the tree.

I wanted to talk about the film but none of her questions were **pertinent**.

I wanted to know how the fence was broken but nobody could give me a **plausible** explanation.

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The sentences below each contain a word in bold. Read the sentence and then write down what you think the bold word means.

Heather is **proficient** at solving crosswords and can finish most in very little time.

Bill added many spices to the curry so it had a **pungent** aroma.

Hilary **rebuked** him for spilling the last of the orange juice.

The factory lost a lot of its **revenue** when the machine was broken for a week.

The prisoner was led away in **shackles**.

I could listen to Mark play guitar for hours. His playing is **sublime**.

Dan did not intend to be **subservient** to his uncle or aunt just because they were older.

The thief **surreptitiously** put the clock into his coat pocket.

The scuba diver climbed into the shark cage with a lot of **trepidation**.

Roshnee rarely felt sea sick but the water was very **turbulent** that day.

Sid's **ultimate** goal was to start his own business.

We **verified** Todd's story by talking to Jane.
