



Episode 1 Student Worksheet

Read the following statements and decide which are true (T) and which are false (F)

- ___ The situation is under control after the earthquake in Maridiana.
- ___ World leaders react positively to the new military government in Gulzharstan.
- ___ James Thompson is no longer on the run.
- ___ Tech giants guilty of monopolizing the market.
- ___ Arctic ice melts at an increasingly fast rate.

* Maridiana, Gulzharstan, and James Thompson are fictional*

Fill in the gaps with vocabulary from the headlines (pay attention to the verb form!)

constitution	earthquake	to enforce	flood
to oust	to plunge	to rage	troops

Amidst the political turmoil, as catastrophic as an _____, the _____ faced a test of its strength. _____ were deployed _____ order as protests _____ on the streets. Calls _____ corrupt leaders _____ the nation into uncertainty. Clashes intensified, threatening the fragile peace. In the midst of the chaos, leaders sought to navigate the _____ of discontent and rebuild trust with the people.

to apprehend	to condemn	curfew	to elude
felon	manhunt	scrutiny	sewers

Recently, a citywide _____ was enforced following a prison escape, triggering a massive _____ through the urban _____. Police tactics came under _____ when the _____ continued _____ capture. The media _____ police and urged them to work harder to ensure the convict would be _____.

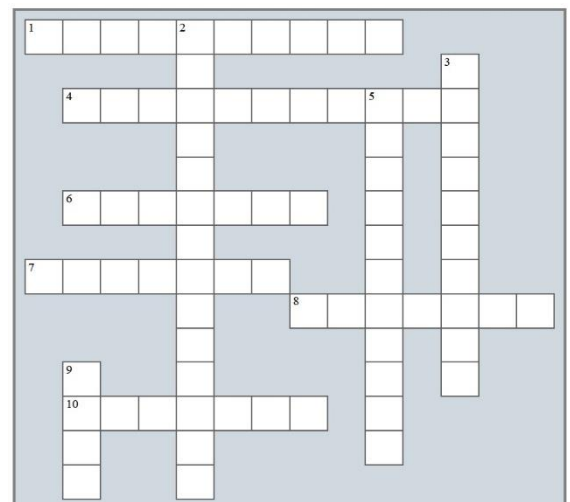
Complete the crossword puzzle with vocabulary from the discussion

ACROSS

- allocation of money for generation of future benefits
- usage, energy _____
- no longer in existence
- to exceed in quantity, quality, or degree
- easily broken
- morally acceptable

DOWN

- meeting current needs without compromising future needs
- a new plan or idea
- consequence
- to pay attention to someone's advice or warning



Fill in the gaps with the correct preposition of time: in, on, or at

This week, I have to juggle various commitments. In addition to working during the week, I've promised to volunteer at the local soup kitchen ___ Monday evening. I also have to be at the local elementary school ___ 4:00 pm ___ Tuesday to help prepare for the book fair that will be taking place ___ the 5th of next month. ___ the evening ___ Wednesday, I'm participating in a zoom call about the garden show that my city will host ___ 2025. ___ Thursday I have to coach a soccer practice ___ 6:00 pm even though I'd really rather attend a book reading that starts ___ the same time. I think there's another reading ___ the weekend, so maybe I'll go then. The soccer practice is too important to miss; the playoffs are ___ September.

Fill in the gaps with the correctly spelled plural.

The _____ (valley) were filled with vibrant _____ (daisy) and _____ (lily), a symphony of colours under the sunny sky. The _____ (puppy) frolicked joyfully, chasing _____ (butterfly) in the meadow nearby, while the children forgot about their _____ (toy) and climbed the towering trees like agile _____ (monkey). In the evenings, the _____ (family) gathered around cozy campfires, sharing _____ (story) and laughter. The _____ (pony) grazed lazily, their tails swaying gently in the breeze.

Answer the following questions about "The Speckled Band"

1. How many of Sherlock Holmes' cases has Watson been involved in?
 - a. More than 70.
 - b. Less than 70.
2. When does Watson usually wake up?
 - a. Before 7:15 am.
 - b. After 7:15 am.
3. How is Helen Stoner's appearance?
 - a. She looks older than her age.
 - b. She looks younger than her age.
4. How does Sherlock Holmes know that Helen Stoner has taken a dog-cart?
 - a. Because of the mud on her jacket.
 - b. Because of the return ticket in her hand.
5. What payment does Sherlock Holmes require?
 - a. Just a reimbursement for the expenses he incurs during his investigation.
 - b. A reimbursement for the time he spends on the investigation.

Try out this tongue twister. See how fast you can say it perfectly three times!

She sells seashells by the seashore. The seashells that she sells are seashells I'm sure.