



Episode 2 Student Worksheet

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

- ___ Criminals in Kalantria will no longer be sentenced to death.
- ___ Zandora is allegedly responsible for a cyber attack on Nuvoria.
- ___ The situation in Rivertown is still critical.
- ___ Dark chocolate may act as a cognitive stimulant.
- ___ Max collected 60 socks in just under 60 seconds.

* Kalantria, Zandora, Rivertown, and Max are fictional*

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

to abolish	alleged	to compromise	to cripple
to inundate	to grapple	skirmish	treason

After recent unrest that threatened _____ the nation, there was growing pressure _____ outdated laws. A _____ between factions escalated, with both sides accusing the other of _____ and _____ foreign ties. As the government struggled _____ with the accusations, they were _____ by reports of government agents whose identities had been _____.

to escalate	factions	to hail	landmark
reforms	staggering	standoffs	unprecedented

The election was a _____ event, with widespread support for major _____. While many _____ it as a victory, tensions between opposing _____ soon led to violent _____, which began _____. The unrest reached an _____ level, with a _____ number of arrests and casualties, making immediate intervention critical.

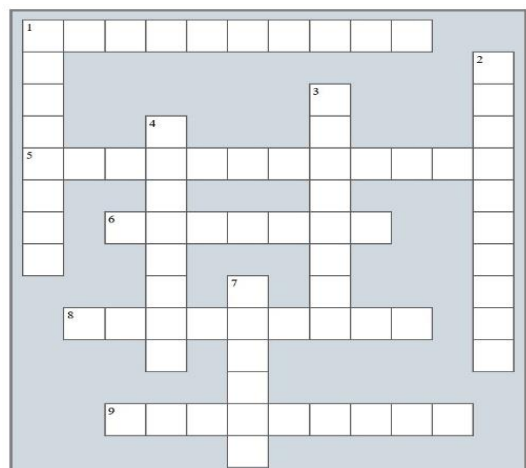
Complete the crossword puzzle with vocabulary from the discussion.

ACROSS

- To form or make up something.
- Impossible to undo or change.
- Shockingly wicked or evil.
- Something that discourages or prevents an action.
- Of the highest importance.

DOWN

- Extremely important or essential.
- Naturally or essentially a part of something.
- Convince someone not to do something.
- The intensity or harshness of something.
- Extremely cruel or violent.



Fill in the gaps with the correct article: a or an.

During ___ NASA conference, ___ unexpected announcement was made about ___ asteroid approaching Earth. It was ___ alarming discovery, but ___ ESA expert reassured the audience there was no immediate danger. After ___ detailed explanation, ___ MIT student asked ___ question about the asteroid's trajectory. ___ interactive model was used to show how ___ minor shift in orbit could cause significant changes. After ___ one-hour lunch break, ___ famous astronaut shared ___ unique and inspiring story about ___ ISS mission, which left ___ lasting impression. It was ___ amazing chance to learn from such ___ influential panel.

Circle every word that has two different spellings, check off which variant of English it is, and then provide the alternate spelling. One example is done for you.

After I burnt the toast this morning, I browsed through a catalog and an old encyclopedia, trying to enrol in a programme that could lighten my mood. Despite my gray surroundings, I found some humour in the situation. Later, I realised that the tire on my car had gone flat, likely from all the roads I had travelled recently, so I headed to the shop for a replacement.

Word	American English	British English	Alternate Spelling
1. burnt		X	burned
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
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9.			
10.			

Answer the following questions about "The Speckled Band".

1. Where did Helen's stepfather move to after getting his medical license?
2. What kind of sentence could her father have received?
3. How much money did Dr. Roylott get each year while the two sisters lived with him?
4. Why did Dr. Roylott and his two step daughters move to Stoke Moran?
5. How did the doctor change after moving to Stoke Moran?

Try and solve this riddle.

The more of this there is, the less you see. What is it?