Domain-Specific Vocabulary

Grade 3 Grammar Worksheet - Challenge Me

Name _____ Date _____

Circle the answer, or write your answer on the lines.

1. In “The fossil showed a fern that lived long ago,” what is a fossil?

   a new plant that grows on top of rocks

   a map that shows very old places

   a trace of an old plant or animal, kept in rock

   a shiny stone you can find in a river

2. In “Thick fur is an adaptation that helps a polar bear stay warm,” what is an adaptation?

   a body part or habit that helps it survive

   a stage in a polar bear's life cycle

   a kind of cold weather near the North Pole

   a place where polar bears live in the far north

3. In “A diary from 1850 is a primary source,” what is a primary source?

   a map that shows the whole wide world

   a story that someone made up later

   a book written many, many years later

   something made by a person who was there

4. In “The garden is 6 feet long and 3 feet wide, so its area is 18 square feet,” what does area measure?

   how heavy a shape is

   the distance around a shape

   how tall a shape is

   the space inside a shape

5. In “The town has a scarcity of water this summer,” what does scarcity mean?

   having too much of something

   a tank where a town stores water

   a kind of summer rain storm

   not having enough of something

6. In “The numerator of 2/3 is 2,” what does the numerator tell?

how many equal parts are counted

the size of the whole

how many wholes there are

how many equal parts are in the whole

7. In “The mayor leads our city's government,” what is a mayor?

a judge who works in a court

the leader of a country

the leader of a city or town

a person who makes laws for a state

8. In “Evaporation turned the puddle into water vapor,” what is evaporation?

water turning into hard ice

water changing from a liquid to a gas

water changing from a gas to a liquid

water soaking down into soil

9. In “The climate of the desert is hot and dry,” what is climate?

the amount of rain in one big storm

the weather on just one day of the year

the plants that grow in a dry place

the usual weather of a place over many years

10. Use the word erosion in a sentence that shows what it means. Draft: The river slowly wore away the rocks.

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Answer Key - Grade 3 Grammar Worksheet - Challenge Me

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Example: Erosion happened when the river slowly wore away the rocks.