

Vocabulary Exercises

Exercise 1: Match the words on the left with their correct definitions on the right.

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Scrutinize	To give support or strength to something, such as an idea or argument
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Exercise 3: Choose the synonym (same meaning) and antonym (opposite meaning) for each word. Use the word bank provided below to complete the table.

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Stingy - Reckless - Diligent - Scatte

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Gather	Collect	
Hardworking		Lazy
Bright	Radiant	
Praise		Criticize

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Simplicity	Simplify	Simple	Simply
Strength	Strengthen	Strong	Strongly
Clarity	Clarify	Clear	Clearly
Productivity	Produce	Productive	Productively
Restriction	Restrict	Restrictive	Restrictively
Creativity	Create	Creative	Creatively
Intensity	Intensify	Intense	Intensely
Persuasion	Persuade	Persuasive	Persuasively