CORE Vocabulary Screening

SKILL ASSESSED

Reading Vocabulary

Grade Level

1–8

Language

English

Grouping

Group/Individual

Approximate Testing Time

10–20 Minutes

Materials

- Teacher Instructions (pp.120–122)
- Pencil
- Student Record Forms and Keys (pp.123–146)

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WHAT The *CORE Vocabulary Screening* measures how well students know the meaning of grade-level words they read silently. The task involves reading a word in a box and choosing which of three answer choices means about the same as the word in the box. It is a pure measure of reading vocabulary in that there is no need to comprehend text in order to complete the task and there is no context to provide clues to the meaning of the word.

WHY Vocabulary knowledge is critical to understanding grade-appropriate text. Even students who are good decoders will have difficulty comprehending what they read if they do not have adequate vocabulary knowledge. The *CORE Vocabulary Screening* can identify students whose vocabulary knowledge is significantly lower than that of their peers.

HOW Students are tested in groups or individually; they read a word in a box and choose (by underlining) one of the three answer choices which means about the same as the word in the box. The words in the boxes were chosen because they typically appear in both literature and instructional text in a given grade. The correct answer is a synonym or near-synonym from a lower grade. Two forms, A and B, are provided for each grade level.

Make a copy of the assessment for each student. Be sure students have a pencil or pen to mark their answers. Have students write their names and the date at the top of the page.

Read these directions to the students: *This activity is about word meanings. You will read a word in a box and some other words in the same row. Underline the answer that means the same or about the same as the word in the box. We will begin with a sample item. Look at the sample at the top of the page. Read the word in the box and the other words in the row. Which answer means about the same as the*

word in the box? (pause) *The word in the box is* scream. *The answer that means about the same as* scream *is* yell*; underline* yell. (Allow time for students to answer.)

Now we will do more items like the sample. For each item, read the word in the box. Think about what it means and then read the other words in the row. You should choose the answer that means the same or about the same as the word in the box; underline the answer you think is correct. Do you have any questions? (Answer any questions students have.) *You may begin now.*

Allow time for students to fill in their answers. If some students are lagging behind the others and need additional time, you may allow them to complete the assessment on their own at a different time.

The *CORE Vocabulary Screening Tests* for Grades 1–8 and the Answer Keys are on the following pages.

▸ WHAT IT MEANS The results of the reading vocabulary assessment are reported as the number of words correct (see chart below). A student who scores at the Intensive level (49% or less correct) may be having significant difficulty with understanding grade-level material because of insufficient vocabulary knowledge. A student who scores at the Strategic level (between 50% and 74% correct) may be having some difficulty understanding grade-level material because of insufficient vocabulary knowledge. A student who scores at the Benchmark level (75% or more correct) has adequate vocabulary knowledge for typical reading.

CORE Vocabulary Screening Scores		
Performance Level	Proportion Correct	Words Correct
Benchmark	75% or more	23-30
Strategic	between 50-74%	15-22
Intensive	49% or less	0-14

For progress monitoring purposes, the vocabulary assessment may be used more than once if the students receive no feedback about their responses. The two versions (A and B) of the assessment are approximately parallel forms and can be used for pre- and post-assessments or can be alternated for progress monitoring purposes.

It is important to keep in mind that progress monitoring for vocabulary is different from many other skill areas. Letter recognition, word decoding, and oral fluency skills reflect the application of a relatively small set of sound/spelling correspondences and are quickly responsive to direct instruction and meaningful practice. Vocabulary differs in that only a relatively small number of words are taught directly, and most vocabulary development occurs incidentally through oral interaction and reading. For these reasons, the *CORE Vocabulary Screening* is more useful for identifying students who have insufficient vocabulary knowledge than for monitoring student progress.

▷ **WHAT'S NEXT?** Vocabulary development may be improved somewhat through direct instruction and practice, but the greatest gains will be the result of oral interaction and reading material with a rich vocabulary. Typical conversation does little to expand a student's vocabulary because the pool of everyday words is relatively small. Hearing grade-level or higher text read aloud, paired reading of grade level text, and independent reading contribute in a meaningful way to vocabulary acquisition, particularly when it is supported by feedback from peers and adults. In addition, students' ability to understand word meanings can be enhanced through instruction and practice in structural analysis and using context.

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CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 1A

Sample	***scream***	***want***	***yell***	***hope***
A 1	gift	hair	present	spring
A 2	below	gone	without	under
A 3	breeze	wind	house	letter
A 4	rip	poke	rain	tear
A 5	carpet	rug	toy	pony
A 6	ocean	home	train	sea
A 7	quit	stop	hold	wear
A 8	jacket	prize	coat	aunt
A 9	large	fun	big	neat
A 10	noise	apple	toe	sound
A 11	shop	buy	hike	saw
A 12	feel	ride	nest	touch
A 13	peek	step	look	grow
A 14	enjoy	drive	play	like
A 15	beat	hit	talk	met
A 16	clip	burn	cut	break
A 17	afraid	scared	cold	dry
A 18	listen	meet	miss	hear
A 19	trail	barn	fence	path
A 20	little	pretty	small	dusty
A 21	suddenly	quickly	only	slowly
A 22	unhappy	another	lazy	sad
A 23	difficult	hard	tall	weak
A 24	woman	picnic	lady	day
A 25	merry	happy	leaky	busy
A 26	sip	wait	drink	put
A 27	napping	writing	fixing	sleeping
A 28	trap	chew	catch	climb
A 29	auto	car	baby	cookie
A 30	hop	work	sing	jump

correct: _____
incorrect: _____
no response: _____

Name: _____ Date: _____

CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 1B

Sample	***owns***	***pays***	***has***	***opens***
B 1	spin	add	show	turn
B 2	hurry	rush	dive	cry
B 3	careless	resting	sloppy	wild
B 4	sleepy	brave	about	tired
B 5	evening	night	shoe	hill
B 6	drag	wish	pull	thank
B 7	stone	animal	rock	tail
B 8	begin	start	ask	chase
B 9	wise	out	furry	smart
B 10	blanket	cover	yard	pond
B 11	quick	after	near	fast
B 12	stir	sit	mix	bend
B 13	angry	mad	around	but
B 14	forest	spot	glove	woods
B 15	piece	way	star	part
B 16	thoughts	races	ideas	doors
B 17	ship	boat	sun	pup
B 18	leaving	eating	dropping	going
B 19	bake	see	cook	find
B 20	wonderful	good	messy	strong
B 21	road	bell	street	bark
B 22	greater	bigger	warmer	better
B 23	loud	late	stiff	noisy
B 24	clean	run	wash	tell
B 25	tricked	fooled	helped	watched
B 26	town	water	city	brick
B 27	shut	know	dance	close
B 28	shove	push	keep	float
B 29	over	soon	above	ready
B 30	kind	back	wet	nice

correct: _____
incorrect: _____
no response: _____

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CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING KEY

FORM 1A

Sample	*scream*	*yell*
A 1	gift	present
A 2	below	under
A 3	breeze	wind
A 4	rip	tear
A 5	carpet	rug
A 6	ocean	sea
A 7	quit	stop
A 8	jacket	coat
A 9	large	big
A 10	noise	sound
A 11	shop	buy
A 12	feel	touch
A 13	peek	look
A 14	enjoy	like
A 15	beat	hit
A 16	clip	cut
A 17	afraid	scared
A 18	listen	hear
A 19	trail	path
A 20	little	small
A 21	suddenly	quickly
A 22	unhappy	sad
A 23	difficult	hard
A 24	woman	lady
A 25	merry	happy
A 26	sip	drink
A 27	napping	sleeping
A 28	trap	catch
A 29	auto	car
A 30	hop	jump

FORM 1B

Sample	*owns*	*has*
B 1	spin	turn
B 2	hurry	rush
B 3	careless	sloppy
B 4	sleepy	tired
B 5	evening	night
B 6	drag	pull
B 7	stone	rock
B 8	begin	start
B 9	wise	smart
B 10	blanket	cover
B 11	quick	fast
B 12	stir	mix
B 13	angry	mad
B 14	forest	woods
B 15	piece	part
B 16	thoughts	ideas
B 17	ship	boat
B 18	leaving	going
B 19	bake	cook
B 20	wonderful	good
B 21	road	street
B 22	greater	bigger
B 23	loud	noisy
B 24	clean	wash
B 25	tricked	fooled
B 26	town	city
B 27	shut	close
B 28	shove	push
B 29	over	above
B 30	kind	nice

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CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 2A

Sample

	swift	***must***	***into***	***fast***

A 1	gather	light	believe	collect
A 2	chunk	piece	dish	floor
A 3	certain	only	sure	most
A 4	greedy	selfish	baggy	always
A 5	ache	bag	pain	street
A 6	build	sleep	live	make
A 7	gladly	happily	sadly	weakly
A 8	dash	bark	lost	run
A 9	place	put	scare	fill
A 10	toss	hope	throw	sign
A 11	pail	bucket	calf	trick
A 12	foolish	real	hard	silly
A 13	base	snow	bottom	money
A 14	rescue	dress	start	save
A 15	equal	same	next	mad
A 16	kettle	bear	pot	uncle
A 17	spoiled	rocked	baked	ruined
A 18	understand	know	rest	pass
A 19	completed	hidden	finished	roared
A 20	huge	red	proud	big
A 21	lovely	away	pretty	small
A 22	bright	long	very	shiny
A 23	nearly	almost	quiet	safe
A 24	terrible	other	awful	sorry
A 25	harm	wave	follow	hurt
A 26	attach	join	have	wash
A 27	raise	lift	row	trip
A 28	choose	land	pick	reach
A 29	finish	belong	roll	end
A 30	shout	catch	yell	take

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CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 2B

Sample

	village	***town***	***cake***	***ring***

B 1	center	middle	story	school
B 2	autumn	park	bee	fall
B 3	grin	sock	smile	mat
B 4	repair	fix	let	tag
B 5	cheered	made	yelled	planted
B 6	flaming	rubbing	burning	mooing
B 7	speak	paint	need	talk
B 8	stained	dirty	every	short
B 9	gentle	soft	open	poor
B 10	friendly	here	slow	nice
B 11	jerk	hear	pull	mail
B 12	slide	slip	cover	hunt
B 13	plenty	first	secret	enough
B 14	appear	play	seem	last
B 15	freezing	cold	tiring	hungry
B 16	leap	tie	bite	jump
B 17	calm	still	best	just
B 18	slope	bat	hill	truck
B 19	fold	race	wag	bend
B 20	brook	balloon	turtle	creek
B 21	pitched	napped	guessed	threw
B 22	sudden	quick	some	mean
B 23	switch	bring	change	happen
B 24	cattle	trees	shoes	cows
B 25	chuckle	mother	laugh	river
B 26	stare	look	splash	break
B 27	patched	named	pushed	fixed
B 28	discover	kick	sell	find
B 29	notice	fly	see	draw
B 30	bother	tease	walk	picture

correct: _____
incorrect: _____
no response: _____

CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING KEY

FORM 2A

	Sample	
	swift	***fast***
A 1	gather	collect
A 2	chunk	piece
A 3	certain	sure
A 4	greedy	selfish
A 5	ache	pain
A 6	build	make
A 7	gladly	happily
A 8	dash	run
A 9	place	put
A 10	toss	throw
A 11	pail	bucket
A 12	foolish	silly
A 13	base	bottom
A 14	rescue	save
A 15	equal	same
A 16	kettle	pot
A 17	spoiled	ruined
A 18	understand	know
A 19	completed	finished
A 20	huge	big
A 21	lovely	pretty
A 22	bright	shiny
A 23	nearly	almost
A 24	terrible	awful
A 25	harm	hurt
A 26	attach	join
A 27	raise	lift
A 28	choose	pick
A 29	finish	end
A 30	shout	yell

FORM 2B

	Sample	
	village	***town***
B 1	center	middle
B 2	autumn	fall
B 3	grin	smile
B 4	repair	fix
B 5	cheered	yelled
B 6	flaming	burning
B 7	speak	talk
B 8	stained	dirty
B 9	gentle	soft
B 10	friendly	nice
B 11	jerk	pull
B 12	slide	slip
B 13	plenty	enough
B 14	appear	seem
B 15	freezing	cold
B 16	leap	jump
B 17	calm	still
B 18	slope	hill
B 19	fold	bend
B 20	brook	creek
B 21	pitched	threw
B 22	sudden	quick
B 23	switch	change
B 24	cattle	cows
B 25	chuckle	laugh
B 26	stare	look
B 27	patched	fixed
B 28	discover	find
B 29	notice	see
B 30	bother	tease

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CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 3A

Sample	***soaked***	***wet***	***brave***	***rocky***
A 1	invite	sting	ask	melt
A 2	battle	weather	highway	fight
A 3	polite	nice	sure	blind
A 4	silent	rough	scary	quiet
A 5	character	jewel	person	needle
A 6	select	choose	forget	expect
A 7	starving	serious	thick	hungry
A 8	tune	pillow	music	crash
A 9	fearful	afraid	awake	delicious
A 10	awkward	magic	round	clumsy
A 11	curious	together	clear	strange
A 12	removed	guarded	took	hung
A 13	heap	throat	pile	motor
A 14	flock	group	kite	voice
A 15	stumble	hang	drip	fall
A 16	admire	boil	like	wander
A 17	tug	pull	enter	sink
A 18	flame	month	fire	herd
A 19	rinse	trot	cost	wash
A 20	dull	boring	fierce	hilly
A 21	entire	lumpy	nearby	all
A 22	glistening	shining	spinning	planning
A 23	damage	pour	sail	break
A 24	trim	wipe	cut	copy
A 25	clump	bunch	feast	market
A 26	pause	cross	wait	growl
A 27	scent	smell	joke	block
A 28	matching	juicy	alike	lazy
A 29	thief	robber	cloth	stair
A 30	distant	important	lively	far

correct: _____
incorrect: _____
no response: _____

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CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 3B

Sample	***hoof***	***hose***	***foot***	***lean***
B 1	simple	tight	easy	wide
B 2	hollow	rich	sandy	empty
B 3	tremble	honk	shake	stand
B 4	dawn	morning	breath	metal
B 5	trust	freeze	swim	believe
B 6	within	special	inside	welcome
B 7	steal	take	leak	pitch
B 8	filthy	dirty	warm	healthy
B 9	waste	band	neck	trash
B 10	roast	send	cook	pay
B 11	replied	answered	tasted	flooded
B 12	shift	comb	save	move
B 13	basement	temper	cellar	excuse
B 14	tender	rainy	worn	soft
B 15	searched	looked	wrapped	enjoyed
B 16	enormous	different	silly	large
B 17	avenue	hunter	street	chimney
B 18	boast	dive	wake	brag
B 19	galloping	running	touching	winking
B 20	remain	grab	stay	form
B 21	giggled	stretched	laughed	poked
B 22	creep	warn	study	crawl
B 23	guide	lead	brush	paste
B 24	evil	fancy	bad	possible
B 25	journey	brick	meal	trip
B 26	sob	hook	cry	roll
B 27	disturb	bother	swallow	repeat
B 28	chore	insect	knife	job
B 29	meadow	idea	field	bucket
B 30	plate	dish	key	berry

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incorrect: _____
no response: _____

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CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING KEY

FORM 3A

Sample	*soaked*	*wet*
A 1	invite	ask
A 2	battle	fight
A 3	polite	nice
A 4	silent	quiet
A 5	character	person
A 6	select	choose
A 7	starving	hungry
A 8	tune	music
A 9	fearful	afraid
A 10	awkward	clumsy
A 11	curious	strange
A 12	removed	took
A 13	heap	pile
A 14	flock	group
A 15	stumble	fall
A 16	admire	like
A 17	tug	pull
A 18	flame	fire
A 19	rinse	wash
A 20	dull	boring
A 21	entire	all
A 22	glistening	shining
A 23	damage	break
A 24	trim	cut
A 25	clump	bunch
A 26	pause	wait
A 27	scent	smell
A 28	matching	alike
A 29	thief	robber
A 30	distant	far

FORM 3B

Sample	*hoof*	*foot*
B 1	simple	easy
B 2	hollow	empty
B 3	tremble	shake
B 4	dawn	morning
B 5	trust	believe
B 6	within	inside
B 7	steal	take
B 8	filthy	dirty
B 9	waste	trash
B 10	roast	cook
B 11	replied	answered
B 12	shift	move
B 13	basement	cellar
B 14	tender	soft
B 15	searched	looked
B 16	enormous	large
B 17	avenue	street
B 18	boast	brag
B 19	galloping	running
B 20	remain	stay
B 21	giggled	laughed
B 22	creep	crawl
B 23	guide	lead
B 24	evil	bad
B 25	journey	trip
B 26	sob	cry
B 27	disturb	bother
B 28	chore	job
B 29	meadow	field
B 30	plate	dish

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CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 4A

Sample

	mention	***cheek***	***rise***	***say***

A 1	roaming	dreaming	walking	spending
A 2	wildlife	myth	paddle	animals
A 3	locate	wound	find	sharpen
A 4	gobble	eat	arrive	snap
A 5	shiver	attack	handle	shake
A 6	pebble	stone	warmth	shed
A 7	cord	jelly	string	list
A 8	trace	draw	fool	agree
A 9	familiar	lonely	peaceful	known
A 10	riddle	creature	puzzle	miner
A 11	plunge	dive	flap	sigh
A 12	capture	groan	soak	catch
A 13	pleasant	nice	speedy	whole
A 14	whirl	flow	spin	search
A 15	necessary	faraway	level	needed
A 16	odd	strange	wavy	cruel
A 17	sway	aim	bend	spoil
A 18	canyon	valley	salad	barrel
A 19	garbage	victory	trash	hoop
A 20	flavor	result	adventure	taste
A 21	slick	gloomy	slippery	kindly
A 22	weep	dare	chop	cry
A 23	bruised	hurt	wiggled	scooped
A 24	command	cabin	health	order
A 25	honest	weak	true	curly
A 26	legend	rink	alarm	story
A 27	view	see	jab	lend
A 28	expensive	foggy	bony	costly
A 29	ancient	hot	old	thin
A 30	examine	check	rule	howl

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CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 4B

Sample	***rim***	***yarn***	***edge***	***bead***
B 1	several	few	instead	unusual
B 2	nasty	plain	ripe	bad
B 3	voyage	bargain	trip	giggle
B 4	grasp	offer	scratch	hold
B 5	fortunate	sour	lucky	twisted
B 6	exchange	switch	drive	weave
B 7	shriek	float	spray	yell
B 8	gleam	shine	trudge	pack
B 9	container	hawk	nation	box
B 10	rage	pride	anger	beard
B 11	weary	frozen	jealous	tired
B 12	limb	apron	branch	crack
B 13	object	thing	blink	reward
B 14	vanish	glance	disappear	improve
B 15	performers	closets	harbors	actors
B 16	final	last	phony	tough
B 17	soil	hobby	dirt	baggage
B 18	blend	mix	charge	greet
B 19	mend	grip	rent	fix
B 20	spare	famous	extra	bossy
B 21	relax	skip	cure	rest
B 22	cheerful	happy	untied	apart
B 23	tow	dip	pull	fade
B 24	dangled	waddled	ruined	hung
B 25	transfer	change	lift	paint
B 26	burst	unrolled	flew	broke
B 27	pasture	field	chest	scene
B 28	jog	rob	run	pump
B 29	powerful	fuzzy	strong	alive
B 30	burrow	horse	waist	hole

correct: _____
incorrect: _____
no response: _____

CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING KEY

FORM 4A

Sample	***mention***	***say***
A 1	roaming	walking
A 2	wildlife	animals
A 3	locate	find
A 4	gobble	eat
A 5	shiver	shake
A 6	pebble	stone
A 7	cord	string
A 8	trace	draw
A 9	familiar	known
A 10	riddle	puzzle
A 11	plunge	dive
A 12	capture	catch
A 13	pleasant	nice
A 14	whirl	spin
A 15	necessary	needed
A 16	odd	strange
A 17	sway	bend
A 18	canyon	valley
A 19	garbage	trash
A 20	flavor	taste
A 21	slick	slippery
A 22	weep	cry
A 23	bruised	hurt
A 24	command	order
A 25	honest	true
A 26	legend	story
A 27	view	see
A 28	expensive	costly
A 29	ancient	old
A 30	examine	check

FORM 4B

Sample	***rim***	***edge***
B 1	several	few
B 2	nasty	bad
B 3	voyage	trip
B 4	grasp	hold
B 5	fortunate	lucky
B 6	exchange	switch
B 7	shriek	yell
B 8	gleam	shine
B 9	container	box
B 10	rage	anger
B 11	weary	tired
B 12	limb	branch
B 13	object	thing
B 14	vanish	disappear
B 15	performers	actors
B 16	final	last
B 17	soil	dirt
B 18	blend	mix
B 19	mend	fix
B 20	spare	extra
B 21	relax	rest
B 22	cheerful	happy
B 23	tow	pull
B 24	dangled	hung
B 25	transfer	change
B 26	burst	broke
B 27	pasture	field
B 28	jog	run
B 29	powerful	strong
B 30	burrow	hole

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CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 5A

Sample

	fling	*accuse*	*demand*	*throw*

A 1	splendid	moody	wonderful	private
A 2	cowardly	afraid	thrifty	uneven
A 3	shrub	buckle	favor	bush
A 4	cling	topple	hold	prove
A 5	hoisted	lifted	supplied	glued
A 6	stroll	dislike	munch	walk
A 7	delay	wait	succeed	prepare
A 8	decision	statue	choice	uniform
A 9	vibrate	shake	suggest	depend
A 10	miserable	endless	absent	sad
A 11	slice	heat	cut	doubt
A 12	concerned	worried	tangled	included
A 13	chant	vase	song	barge
A 14	boulder	stitch	theater	rock
A 15	attempt	try	respect	peel
A 16	uncommon	plump	shallow	rare
A 17	district	strap	area	target
A 18	glimpse	see	lose	halt
A 19	convention	meeting	surface	telescope
A 20	dense	direct	thick	stolen
A 21	occasionally	terribly	anyhow	sometimes
A 22	abandon	defend	leave	sweat
A 23	scrub	clean	develop	hatch
A 24	gulped	continued	swallowed	grazed
A 25	drain	empty	rush	sniff
A 26	gale	lamp	terror	storm
A 27	bathed	pretended	refused	washed
A 28	tremendous	helpless	powerful	royal
A 29	symbol	sign	thunder	judge
A 30	inspect	travel	harden	check

correct: _____
incorrect: _____
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CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 5B

Sample	*value*	*worth*	*report*	*siren*
B 1	witnessed	sneezed	felt	saw
B 2	secure	safe	extra	flat
B 3	crate	speck	box	treaty
B 4	dread	mark	trade	fear
B 5	permit	allow	scatter	declare
B 6	alter	tickle	lean	change
B 7	thaw	dump	melt	glide
B 8	twirl	spin	flop	grip
B 9	instruct	unfold	teach	adjust
B 10	demonstrate	receive	sharpen	show
B 11	risky	perfect	dangerous	crowded
B 12	sturdy	strong	savage	shaggy
B 13	squirm	affect	heal	wiggle
B 14	gently	briefly	softly	deeply
B 15	furious	dim	mighty	angry
B 16	desire	want	reply	spill
B 17	coarse	sticky	rough	torn
B 18	dodge	sew	tape	move
B 19	task	buggy	job	mist
B 20	bloom	flower	accent	design
B 21	initial	first	either	greedy
B 22	defeat	load	rattle	beat
B 23	hunch	broom	guess	lodge
B 24	snatch	grab	behave	argue
B 25	sketch	harvest	order	draw
B 26	chilly	horrible	cool	sore
B 27	courage	bravery	mixture	swamp
B 28	chamber	accident	delivery	room
B 29	connect	join	accept	serve
B 30	drowsy	dusty	tired	firm

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incorrect: _____
no response: _____

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CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING KEY

FORM 5A

Sample		
	fling	*throw*
A 1	splendid	wonderful
A 2	cowardly	afraid
A 3	shrub	bush
A 4	cling	hold
A 5	hoisted	lifted
A 6	stroll	walk
A 7	delay	wait
A 8	decision	choice
A 9	vibrate	shake
A 10	miserable	sad
A 11	slice	cut
A 12	concerned	worried
A 13	chant	song
A 14	boulder	rock
A 15	attempt	try
A 16	uncommon	rare
A 17	district	area
A 18	glimpse	see
A 19	convention	meeting
A 20	dense	thick
A 21	occasionally	sometimes
A 22	abandon	leave
A 23	scrub	clean
A 24	gulped	swallowed
A 25	drain	empty
A 26	gale	storm
A 27	bathed	washed
A 28	tremendous	powerful
A 29	symbol	sign
A 30	inspect	check

FORM 5B

Sample		
	value	*worth*
B 1	witnessed	saw
B 2	secure	safe
B 3	crate	box
B 4	dread	fear
B 5	permit	allow
B 6	alter	change
B 7	thaw	melt
B 8	twirl	spin
B 9	instruct	teach
B 10	demonstrate	show
B 11	risky	dangerous
B 12	sturdy	strong
B 13	squirm	wiggle
B 14	gently	softly
B 15	furious	angry
B 16	desire	want
B 17	coarse	rough
B 18	dodge	move
B 19	task	job
B 20	bloom	flower
B 21	initial	first
B 22	defeat	beat
B 23	hunch	guess
B 24	snatch	grab
B 25	sketch	draw
B 26	chilly	cool
B 27	courage	bravery
B 28	chamber	room
B 29	connect	join
B 30	drowsy	tired

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CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 6A

Sample

	gesture	*entrance*	*towel*	*movement*

A 1	display	plot	show	bend
A 2	sentry	guard	blaze	habit
A 3	physician	blade	gallon	doctor
A 4	adore	cause	love	tap
A 5	summit	top	flight	lane
A 6	regulate	wrinkle	attend	control
A 7	error	knight	mistake	chain
A 8	conflict	battle	factory	marker
A 9	conceal	chew	hide	lead
A 10	applaud	stain	frown	clap
A 11	memorize	remember	flutter	obey
A 12	circular	least	steady	round
A 13	resign	absorb	quit	imagine
A 14	rapid	fast	inner	smoky
A 15	restricted	hired	whined	limited
A 16	core	alley	center	marsh
A 17	infant	baby	acorn	college
A 18	gracious	hairy	kind	unclear
A 19	absurd	fairly	glassy	silly
A 20	local	nearby	natural	responsible
A 21	odor	instant	smell	scenery
A 22	drench	lace	stoop	wet
A 23	decay	beg	rot	hug
A 24	request	type	cheat	ask
A 25	attire	clothing	drought	moth
A 26	moist	hopeful	damp	known
A 27	frequent	often	golden	halfway
A 28	peddle	grind	sell	wobble
A 29	terrifying	joyous	tilted	scary
A 30	typical	normal	playful	salty

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CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 6B

Sample

	gorge	***film***	***valley***	***hinge***

B 1	quantity	amount	freckle	clerk
B 2	conclusion	actor	dusk	end
B 3	method	way	bushel	vine
B 4	required	grumbled	imitated	needed
B 5	combine	seek	join	vote
B 6	estimate	operate	proceed	guess
B 7	annoy	hitch	bother	shrink
B 8	devoured	ate	considered	brought
B 9	courteous	hazy	polite	modern
B 10	employee	accident	liquid	worker
B 11	superb	general	wonderful	national
B 12	respond	prevent	answer	scrape
B 13	vacant	naughty	precious	empty
B 14	major	important	ordinary	slippery
B 15	image	hunger	picture	leash
B 16	lengthy	fond	muddy	long
B 17	assistant	helper	cable	grill
B 18	revolve	brag	turn	purr
B 19	perspire	sweat	interrupt	arrange
B 20	cautious	greasy	married	careful
B 21	occur	blame	click	happen
B 22	reduce	lessen	admit	purchase
B 23	shatter	break	insist	steer
B 24	parcel	ancestor	package	lantern
B 25	twine	string	guest	hotel
B 26	doze	glow	kneel	sleep
B 27	remote	nervous	far	shady
B 28	active	lively	especially	gradually
B 29	genuine	husky	real	partly
B 30	contribute	hesitate	wink	give

correct: _____
incorrect: _____
no response: _____

CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING KEY

FORM 6A

	Sample	
	gesture	***movement***
A 1	display	show
A 2	sentry	guard
A 3	physician	doctor
A 4	adore	love
A 5	summit	top
A 6	regulate	control
A 7	error	mistake
A 8	conflict	battle
A 9	conceal	hide
A 10	applaud	clap
A 11	memorize	remember
A 12	circular	round
A 13	resign	quit
A 14	rapid	fast
A 15	restricted	limited
A 16	core	center
A 17	infant	baby
A 18	gracious	kind
A 19	absurd	silly
A 20	local	nearby
A 21	odor	smell
A 22	drench	wet
A 23	decay	rot
A 24	request	ask
A 25	attire	clothing
A 26	moist	damp
A 27	frequent	often
A 28	peddle	sell
A 29	terrifying	scary
A 30	typical	normal

FORM 6B

	Sample	
	gorge	***valley***
B 1	quantity	amount
B 2	conclusion	end
B 3	method	way
B 4	required	needed
B 5	combine	join
B 6	estimate	guess
B 7	annoy	bother
B 8	devoured	ate
B 9	courteous	polite
B 10	employee	worker
B 11	superb	wonderful
B 12	respond	answer
B 13	vacant	empty
B 14	major	important
B 15	image	picture
B 16	lengthy	long
B 17	assistant	helper
B 18	revolve	turn
B 19	perspire	sweat
B 20	cautious	careful
B 21	occur	happen
B 22	reduce	lessen
B 23	shatter	break
B 24	parcel	package
B 25	twine	string
B 26	doze	sleep
B 27	remote	far
B 28	active	lively
B 29	genuine	real
B 30	contribute	give

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CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 7A

Sample	*fabric*	*diamond*	*cloth*	*history*
A 1	recall	bounce	untie	remember
A 2	reveal	show	act	tear
A 3	incomplete	amazing	unfinished	shaky
A 4	flaw	shirt	meeting	weakness
A 5	ballad	garage	song	iron
A 6	broth	cave	hero	soup
A 7	donate	manage	give	sense
A 8	originated	began	escaped	wrote
A 9	humid	born	lousy	damp
A 10	chasm	bench	gap	lump
A 11	fragile	unkind	realistic	breakable
A 12	amusement	fun	darkness	lumber
A 13	utter	drop	say	break
A 14	abrupt	certain	narrow	quick
A 15	misery	difference	sadness	grain
A 16	crimson	red	beneath	giant
A 17	confront	forgive	release	challenge
A 18	regularly	finally	frequently	early
A 19	depart	wind	seal	leave
A 20	initiate	recognize	spread	start
A 21	jubilant	tired	happy	tame
A 22	notable	important	pleasant	ready
A 23	overdue	broken	spotless	late
A 24	massive	large	neat	careful
A 25	persuasive	convincing	smelly	foolish
A 26	haste	camera	package	speed
A 27	commerce	message	business	palace
A 28	detect	find	except	season
A 29	tedious	boring	weak	frozen
A 30	enthusiastic	hungry	excited	fresh

correct: _____
incorrect: _____
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CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 7B

Sample

	consumer	*apartment*	*path*	*buyer*

B 1	wary	cautious	leaky	patient
B 2	postpone	carve	delay	learn
B 3	similar	bent	fair	alike
B 4	pursue	chase	shout	throw
B 5	bashful	aboard	thirsty	shy
B 6	repeatedly	catchy	often	probably
B 7	option	choice	beauty	force
B 8	utilize	chew	use	call
B 9	conceit	blast	party	pride
B 10	cherish	love	visit	slide
B 11	isolated	flattened	alone	sharp
B 12	formerly	against	without	before
B 13	hub	center	example	pole
B 14	eternity	address	forever	hospital
B 15	modify	harness	link	change
B 16	persist	continue	treat	gasp
B 17	inactive	expensive	still	pretty
B 18	fee	bubble	wall	price
B 19	outcome	result	captain	stamp
B 20	currently	really	now	tiny
B 21	mimic	copy	pull	rush
B 22	cavity	juice	hole	machine
B 23	ajar	indeed	open	lower
B 24	infinite	unlimited	practical	split
B 25	dismayed	appeared	concerned	hurried
B 26	desolate	hurt	tight	empty
B 27	elevated	high	bundled	impossible
B 28	frigid	heavy	odd	cold
B 29	linger	wait	lick	startle
B 30	approximately	slowly	loudly	nearly

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CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING KEY

FORM 7A

Sample		***fabric***	***cloth***
A	1	recall	remember
A	2	reveal	show
A	3	incomplete	unfinished
A	4	flaw	weakness
A	5	ballad	song
A	6	broth	soup
A	7	donate	give
A	8	originated	began
A	9	humid	damp
A	10	chasm	gap
A	11	fragile	breakable
A	12	amusement	fun
A	13	utter	say
A	14	abrupt	quick
A	15	misery	sadness
A	16	crimson	red
A	17	confront	challenge
A	18	regularly	frequently
A	19	depart	leave
A	20	initiate	start
A	21	jubilant	happy
A	22	notable	important
A	23	overdue	late
A	24	massive	large
A	25	persuasive	convincing
A	26	haste	speed
A	27	commerce	business
A	28	detect	find
A	29	tedious	boring
A	30	enthusiastic	excited

FORM 7B

Sample		***consumer***	***buyer***
B	1	wary	cautious
B	2	postpone	delay
B	3	similar	alike
B	4	pursue	chase
B	5	bashful	shy
B	6	repeatedly	often
B	7	option	choice
B	8	utilize	use
B	9	conceit	pride
B	10	cherish	love
B	11	isolated	alone
B	12	formerly	before
B	13	hub	center
B	14	eternity	forever
B	15	modify	change
B	16	persist	continue
B	17	inactive	still
B	18	fee	price
B	19	outcome	result
B	20	currently	now
B	21	mimic	copy
B	22	cavity	hole
B	23	ajar	open
B	24	infinite	unlimited
B	25	dismayed	concerned
B	26	desolate	empty
B	27	elevated	high
B	28	frigid	cold
B	29	linger	wait
B	30	approximately	nearly

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CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 8A

Sample	*loathe*	*rely*	*open*	*hate*	
A 1	prosper	drill	succeed	volunteer	
A 2	intricate	elected	terrific	complex	
A 3	brawl	canal	fight	railing	
A 4	fortify	strengthen	imitate	remove	
A 5	revision	improvement	tournament	vibration	
A 6	implore	flip	risk	beg	
A 7	jovial	upset	cheerful	noble	
A 8	exterior	festival	outside	patience	
A 9	verdict	operator	decision	witness	
A 10	precise	exact	coastal	generous	
A 11	abode	interval	quality	house	
A 12	baffling	fleeing	puzzling	relaxing	
A 13	merge	shave	conduct	join	
A 14	pact	agreement	outfit	shack	
A 15	resume	design	continue	scribble	
A 16	sequence	order	talent	badge	
A 17	evade	increase	deliver	avoid	
A 18	consequence	result	license	reservation	
A 19	hamper	nudge	limit	invent	
A 20	speculate	clamp	recommend	guess	
A 21	accumulate	review	gather	explore	
A 22	motive	concrete	liberty	reason	
A 23	deduct	subtract	obtain	control	
A 24	maneuver	ignore	move	replace	
A 25	situated	jagged	assembled	located	
A 26	uproar	noise	journal	arrival	
A 27	swindle	launch	cheat	attend	
A 28	hostage	captive	interference	furniture	
A 29	apparel	clothing	ability	machinery	
A 30	chime	prefer	sort	ring	

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CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 8B

Sample	*occurrence*	*restaurant*	*happening*	*treasure*
B 1	mishap	banquet	terrace	accident
B 2	specific	humble	detailed	rotten
B 3	hazard	danger	energy	platter
B 4	procedure	ripple	salary	method
B 5	significant	foreign	important	pure
B 6	acceleration	speed	hail	parlor
B 7	portrait	ditch	shield	picture
B 8	genial	handy	selfish	friendly
B 9	capsize	overturn	blush	separate
B 10	inhale	gulp	hire	breathe
B 11	frank	dreary	honest	magical
B 12	gingerly	carefully	innocently	partially
B 13	beverage	drink	occasion	remark
B 14	adequate	loyal	enough	scarce
B 15	ravine	fashion	bracelet	valley
B 16	convert	change	pledge	trample
B 17	luster	benefit	saucer	shine
B 18	irk	bother	produce	soften
B 19	substantial	graceful	ridiculous	large
B 20	maximum	glorious	most	official
B 21	authentic	immense	real	obedient
B 22	tremor	thorn	glacier	shaking
B 23	valor	bravery	fern	wealth
B 24	scorch	coil	oppose	burn
B 25	reunion	glider	meeting	climate
B 26	lapse	break	flake	pain
B 27	wily	definite	clever	humorous
B 28	diminish	lessen	graduate	introduce
B 29	ignite	accompany	light	measure
B 30	client	blunder	outline	customer

correct: _____
incorrect: _____
no response: _____

CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING KEY

FORM 8A

Sample	***loathe***	***hate***
A 1	prosper	succeed
A 2	intricate	complex
A 3	brawl	fight
A 4	fortify	strengthen
A 5	revision	improvement
A 6	implore	beg
A 7	jovial	cheerful
A 8	exterior	outside
A 9	verdict	decision
A 10	precise	exact
A 11	abode	house
A 12	baffling	puzzling
A 13	merge	join
A 14	pact	agreement
A 15	resume	continue
A 16	sequence	order
A 17	evade	avoid
A 18	consequence	result
A 19	hamper	limit
A 20	speculate	guess
A 21	accumulate	gather
A 22	motive	reason
A 23	deduct	subtract
A 24	maneuver	move
A 25	situated	located
A 26	uproar	noise
A 27	swindle	cheat
A 28	hostage	captive
A 29	apparel	clothing
A 30	chime	ring

FORM 8B

Sample	***occurrence***	***happening***
B 1	mishap	accident
B 2	specific	detailed
B 3	hazard	danger
B 4	procedure	method
B 5	significant	important
B 6	acceleration	speed
B 7	portrait	picture
B 8	genial	friendly
B 9	capsize	overturn
B 10	inhale	breathe
B 11	frank	honest
B 12	gingerly	carefully
B 13	beverage	drink
B 14	adequate	enough
B 15	ravine	valley
B 16	convert	change
B 17	luster	shine
B 18	irk	bother
B 19	substantial	large
B 20	maximum	most
B 21	authentic	real
B 22	tremor	shaking
B 23	valor	bravery
B 24	scorch	burn
B 25	reunion	meeting
B 26	lapse	break
B 27	wily	clever
B 28	diminish	lessen
B 29	ignite	light
B 30	client	customer

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