

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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► **W H A T** 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.

► **W H Y** 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.

► **H O W** 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.

► **W H A T ' S N E X T ?** 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.

Name: _____

Date: _____

CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 1A

Sample

scream

want

yell

hope

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

correct: _____

incorrect: _____

no response: _____

Name:

Date:

CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 1B

<i>Sample</i>	<i>owns</i>	<i>pays</i>	<i>has</i>	<i>opens</i>
B 1	spin	add	show	turn
B 2	hurry	rush	drive	cry
B 3	careless	resting	slippery	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	wer	nice

correct: _____
incorrect: _____
no response: _____

CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING KEY

FORM 1A

<i>Sample</i>	<i>scream</i>	<i>yell</i>
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

<i>Sample</i>	<i>owns</i>	<i>has</i>
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

Name: _____

Date: _____

CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 2A

Sample

swift

must

into

fast

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

correct: _____

incorrect: _____

no response: _____

Name: _____

Date: _____

CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 2B

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

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

Name: _____

Date: _____

CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 3A

Sample

soaked **wet** **brave** < **rocky**

- | | | | | | |
|---------------|----------|---------|-----------|---------|----------|
| A 1 invite | sting | ask | melt | like | wander |
| A 2 battle | weather | highway | fight | enter | sink |
| A 3 polite | nice | sure | blind | herd | herd |
| A 4 silent | rough | scary | quiet | wash | wash |
| A 5 character | jewel | person | needle | fierce | hilly |
| A 6 select | choose | forget | expect | nearby | all |
| A 7 starving | serious | thick | hungry | shining | planning |
| A 8 tune | pillow | music | crash | pour | sail |
| A 9 fearful | afraid | awake | delicious | damage | break |
| A 10 awkward | magic | round | clumsy | trim | copy |
| A 11 curious | together | clear | strange | wipe | cut |
| A 12 removed | guarded | cooked | hung | bunch | market |
| A 13 heap | throat | pile | motor | pause | growl |
| A 14 flock | group | kite | voice | smell | block |
| A 15 stumble | hang | drip | fall | joke | lazy |

- | | | | |
|-----------------|---------|----------|----------|
| 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 | pour | sail | break |
| A 25 clump | wipe | cut | copy |
| A 26 pause | bunch | feast | market |
| A 27 scent | cross | wait | growl |
| A 28 marching | smell | joke | block |
| A 29 thief | juicy | alike | lazy |
| A 30 distant | robber | cloth | stair |

correct:

incorrect:

no response:

Name: _____

Date: _____
CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 3B

Sample

hoof *hose* *foot* *lean*

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

correct: _____

incorrect: _____

no response: _____

CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING KEY

FORM 3A

Sample

	<i>soaked</i>	<i>wet</i>
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

	<i>boof</i>	<i>foot</i>
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

Name: _____

Date: _____

CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 4A

Sample

mention

cheek

rise

say

A 1 **roaming**

walking

spending

A 16 **odd**

strange

cruel

A 2 **wildlife**

myth

animals

A 17 **sway**

aim

spoil

A 3 **locate**

wound

sharpen

A 18 **canyon**

valley

barrel

A 4 **gobble**

ear

arrive

A 19 **garbage**

victory

hoop

A 5 **shiver**

attack

handle

A 20 **flavor**

shake

taste

A 6 **pebble**

stone

warmth

A 21 **slick**

gloomy

slippery

A 7 **cord**

jelly

string

A 22 **weep**

dare

chop

A 8 **trace**

draw

fool

A 23 **bruised**

hurt

wiggled

A 9 **familiar**

lonely

peaceful

A 24 **command**

cabin

health

order

A 10 **riddle**

creature

puzzle

A 25 **honest**

miner

weak

A 11 **plunge**

dive

flap

A 26 **legend**

sign

alarm

A 12 **capture**

groan

soak

A 27 **view**

catch

jab

A 13 **pleasant**

nice

speedy

A 28 **expensive**

whole

foggy

costly

A 14 **whirl**

flow

spin

A 29 **ancient**

search

hot

thin

A 15 **necessary**

faraway

level

A 30 **examine**

needed

rule

howl

correct: _____

incorrect: _____

no response: _____

Name: _____

Date: _____

CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 4B

Sample

rim

yarn

edge

bead

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

correct: _____
incorrect: _____
no response: _____

CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING KEY

FORM 4A

Sample

	<i>mention</i>	<i>say</i>
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

	<i>rim</i>	<i>edge</i>
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

Name: _____

Date: _____

CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 5A

Sample

fling

accuse

demand

throw

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

correct: _____
incorrect: _____
no response: _____

Name: _____

Date: _____
CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 5B

Sample

value

worth

report

siren

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

correct: _____

incorrect: _____

no response: _____

CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING KEY

FORM 5A

Sample

	<i>fling</i>	<i>throw</i>
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

	<i>value</i>	<i>worth</i>
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

Name: _____

Date: _____

CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 6A

Sample

gesture

entrance

towel

movement

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

correct: _____

incorrect: _____

no response: _____



Name: _____

Date: _____

CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 6B

Sample

gorge **film** **valley** **binge**

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

correct: _____
incorrect: _____
no response: _____

CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING KEY

FORM 6A

Sample

	<i>gesture</i>	<i>movement</i>
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

	<i>gorge</i>	<i>valley</i>
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

Name: _____

Date: _____

CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 7A

Sample

fabric

history

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

correct: _____
incorrect: _____
no response: _____

Name: _____

Date: _____

CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 7B

Sample

consumer

apartment

path

buyer

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

# correct:	_____
# incorrect:	_____
# no response:	_____

CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING KEY

FORM 7A

Sample

	<i>fabric</i>	<i>cloth</i>
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

	<i>consumer</i>	<i>buyer</i>
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

Name: _____

Date: _____
CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 8A

Sample

loathe

open

hate

A 1	prosper	drill	succeed	volunteer	talent	badge
A 2	intricate	elected	terrific	complex	deliver	avoid
A 3	brawl	canal	fight	railing	license	reservation
A 4	fortify	strengthen	imitate	remove	limit	invent
A 5	revision	improvement	tournament	vibration	recommend	guess
A 6	implore	flip	risk	beg	gather	explore
A 7	joyful	upset	cheerful	noble	liberty	reason
A 8	exterior	festival	outside	patience	obtain	control
A 9	verdict	operator	decision	witness	move	replace
A 10	precise	exact	coastal	generous	assembled	located
A 11	abode	interval	quality	house	journal	arrival
A 12	baffling	fleeing	puzzling	relaxing	cheat	attend
A 13	merge	shave	conduct	join	interference	furniture
A 14	pact	agreement	outfit	shack	clothing	machinery
A 15	resume	design	continue	scribble	prefer	ring

# correct:	_____
# incorrect:	_____
# no response:	_____

Name: _____

Date: _____

CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING—FORM 8B

Sample

occurrence **restaurant** **happening** **treasure**

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

correct: _____
incorrect: _____
no response: _____

CORE VOCABULARY SCREENING KEY

FORM 8A

<i>Sample</i>	<i>loathe</i>	<i>hate</i>
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	joyful	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

<i>Sample</i>	<i>occurrence</i>	<i>happening</i>
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	breath
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