

LESSON 1
Practice Quiz

Name: _____

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1. If you were talking about the *dimensions* of a room, it would NOT be about:
 - a. the way it was before it was furnished
 - b. the scale in relation to the rest of the house
 - c. one of its features
 - d. the height and width

2. A *commission* organized by a town government may have the authority to:
 - a. implement state laws
 - b. assess students in their math skills
 - c. recommend changes to traffic patterns
 - d. appoint Supreme Court justices

3. Which of the following is a *viewpoint*?
 - a. the time school starts
 - b. the amount waiters are tipped
 - c. gravity on Earth
 - d. hours in the day

4. Another word for *final* is:
 - a. artificial
 - b. sensitive
 - c. preliminary
 - d. concluding

5. The opposite of an *assumption* is:
 - a. deciding to act based on feeling
 - b. planning without proof
 - c. taking exception to the rule
 - d. using data to make a decision

6. Read this sentence.
As we drove through Vermont, we were awed by the radiant *foliage*.
Foliage means:
 - a. leaves on the trees
 - b. quaint towns
 - c. interesting houses
 - d. lush mountainside

¹Without a microscope or any other special tool, you can see a single *cell*. ²All you need to do is to crack open a chicken egg and observe it. ³The yolk is the food supply and is protected by a *membrane*. ⁴A *distinction* should be made between the inner and outer surroundings, which you can clearly see. ⁵Outside is the hard shell and inside are membranes that keep the parts of the egg separate. ⁶The eggs you observe here, the ones that we eat, are eggs we see were laid by a hen that has not mated. ⁷If the hen has mated, the egg is fertile. ⁸Then the egg white, while mostly water, has a *considerable* job to accomplish. ⁹Its function is to keep the embryo moist while it incubates. ¹⁰The hen sits on her eggs for three weeks before they hatch. ¹¹Out of the egg come tiny chicks, ready for a drink of water.

7. In this paragraph, what kind of living thing does the *cell* come from?
- a. a chicken
 - b. a water droplet
 - c. a membrane
 - d. an ostrich
8. In sentence 3, *membrane* means:
- a. the yellow yolk
 - b. the white, watery part of the egg
 - c. a layer that divides parts of the cell
 - d. the thick outer shell of an egg
9. In sentence 4, what is *distinction* used to identify?
- a. the difference between large and small cells
 - b. the separation between the inner and outer membranes
 - c. the time an egg must incubate
 - d. the way a hen broods an egg
10. What has a *considerable* (sentence 8) job to do inside the egg?
- a. the thin membrane
 - b. the unhatched chick
 - c. the hard shell
 - d. the egg white