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Teacher: $\qquad$
Class:

## Assignment:

## Give Your Teacher a Paperwork Break

Today's Date:
Date Due:
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## Purpose:

You're going to learn some new words by doing some learning activities and completing a quiz on your own. Why? Two reasons:

- You'll learn about technology that can help you learn when a teacher isn't around, and
- You'll learn more about which activities are more effective at helping you learn.


## Instructions:

1. Find a sentence (or a short paragraph) that has some words that you don't know. You can find this in a book, or in an online article.

If you're not sure what to pick, start with this:

The neurologist listened carefully to the ailing patient. The patient, a swarthy man of 55 , tried to maintain a sanguine tone of voice as he described his chronic neuralgia. "I can help him," thought the doctor, and she continued listening to the salient points of the man's narrative.
2. Point your web browser to rewordify.com:

3. In the top yellow box, enter the difficult sentence or short paragraph you found in Step \#1:

4. Then, click "Rewordify text."
5. You'll see a simplified version of the text appear in this area:


If you click (or tap) a highlighted word, you'll see the original, harder word.
Take a few minutes to click some highlighted words and see the relationships between the original harder words and the easier replacements.

## 6. Click the "Print / Learning activities" tab at the top:



Printouts contain 8 vocabulary words with the current rewordifying level. Change the level.

Select which type of printout you want:

Original text (no rewordification)

- Rewordified text with highlighting (New: highlighting can print in color)

Vocabulary list with definitionsVocabulary list without definitions
Word bank quiz *Matching sheet (column of terms and column of definitions) *Standard quiz (answer choices randomly picked only from words on quiz) *(ficult quiz (answer choices randomly picked from over 56,000 words \& phrases) *Cloz activity *Text wh vocabulary (text on left with hard words underlined; definitions on right)CSV expo for importing into a document or online studying program*Generate anster key (available for starred options)

Print
7. Click on the button next to "Standard Quiz", and then click "Print" at the bottom.
(see next page)
8. Another screen will come up:


On that window, click "Print page" and print it. After it prints, click "Close page" on the screen to return to the screen pictured above.
9. Now click on the button that says "Vocabulary list with definitions" and click "Print." Do the same: print the document, then click "Close page." Would this list help you get a $100 \%$ on the quiz you just printed?
10. Spend a few minutes clicking on the other Learning tools buttons to see what they do. Which feature do you think would help you learn best?
11. Here's where you'll help your teacher out: Complete the quiz you printed and show your teacher that you understand the difficult words in your text passage. Use the vocabulary list you printed in Step 9, above, to help you.
12. Answer the question on the next page, and double-check the rubric (on page 6) to be sure you'll get an "A" on this assignment! When you're sure you've completed everything well, hand this packet and the completed quiz to your teacher.

Learning Activity: Give Your Teacher a Paperwork Break
Assignment:
Complete a paper assessment and write a short paragraph

## Question:

Please answer these questions in a short paragraph:
Think about all the learning activities you saw, including word banks, definition lists, etc. Which learning activity (or activities) do you think help you learn best? What is it about the ones you picked that make you think they would help you?
(Do you want to get an "A"? Check the rubric on the other side)

## Rubric:

To get an "A", double-check to be sure you've done each of these prior to turning in your paper. Check each one off after you've done it:

POINTS:
$\square$ I completed the vocabulary quiz
$\square$ I answered all the questions on page 5 in a short paragraph
$\square$ My writing is legible and free of grammar and spelling errors
My name is at the top of Page 1
TOTAL POINTS:

