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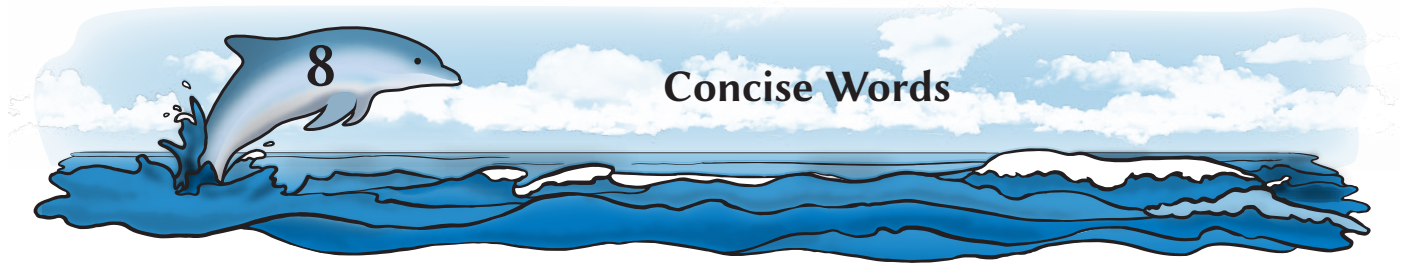
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Concise Words

concise: saying much in few words; short and to the point



Be concise when you communicate. Crisp, clear communication is more interesting and effective.

One way to improve your writing is to replace a phrase with a word.

We plan to build a church house ~~in the near future~~ ^{soon}.

Another way to improve your writing is to combine words that have similar meanings.

We welcome ~~each and every one~~ ^{everyone} to Bible school.

You can also make your writing more interesting by using lively verbs and exact nouns.

A ~~small furry animal~~ ^{mouse} ~~ran quickly~~ ^{scurried} across the floor.

A Write the letter of each concise word in front of the wordy phrase that it could replace.

1. ____ in the event that
2. ____ past histories
3. ____ considering the fact that
4. ____ talked under their breath
5. ____ cooperate together
6. ____ it is necessary that they
7. ____ nodded his head
8. ____ walked unsteadily
9. ____ walked tiredly
10. ____ basic necessities
11. ____ kneel down
12. ____ it is possible that

- a. might (or could)
- b. they must
- c. if
- d. kneel
- e. because
- f. histories
- g. cooperate
- h. hobbled
- i. necessities
- j. mumbled
- k. nodded
- l. plodded



B Write a concise word for the wordy phrase.

- ☐ 13. not very often _____
- ☐ 14. in a happy way _____



Looking Back



C Put a check mark (✓) beside the sentence that is written correctly and an x beside the incorrect sentence. Write the incorrect sentence correctly.

15. ____ Antarctica is colder than Siberia.

16. ____ Australia is smaller than any continent.

17. ____ Antarctica is the world's largest desert.

D Write an adjective phrase to describe each underlined noun.

- ☐ 18. The boy _____ is my best friend.
- ☐ 19. A group _____ will listen to a lecture _____.
- ☐ 20. The apple _____ tasted delicious.

E Write the correct principal part of the verb given.

21. (*leave*, past participle) The train _____ the station already.
22. (*rise*, present participle) Prices of used cars _____ fast.
23. (*fly*, past) Mom and Aunt Treva _____ to Alberta, Canada, last month.
24. (*visit*, present) Karen often _____ Grandma after work.
25. (*fix*, past participle) Our mechanic _____ the headlights on our car three times.

F Write *prep* or *adv* to tell the function of each underlined word.

26. _____ You can turn the lights in the kitchen off now.
27. _____ Be careful that you don't drive off the lane, Arlin.



G Underline each noun of direct address. Add commas where needed.

28. Rick please stand and read the next paragraph about foxes to the class.
29. Go outside Brenna and see if the wash on the line is dry.
30. That's impossible Tony!

H Underline each nominative case pronoun.

31. The dog stopped barking when it saw its owner.
32. We borrowed a tiller from the neighbors.
33. When will you be finished cleaning?
34. I thought that he was still ill.



I Add commas where needed.

35. Before it struck the snake rattled vigorously.
36. Gales constantly howled over the barren cold landscape.
37. The water ran over the levee across the road and into the fields.
38. On November 10 1954 Edison New Jersey was renamed to honor Thomas Edison.

J Underline the correct verb.

39. Willis **hasn't**, **haven't** come out of the amphibian exhibit yet.
40. Sheep **doesn't**, **don't** like to drink from water that is running.

K Circle each adjective. Draw an arrow from each adjective to the word it modifies. Write P above the proper adjective. Remember predicate adjectives.

41. Some regions in the Himalayan mountains are poor.
42. Scary bridges are a common part of life in poor countries.
43. Some rickety bridges cross deep gorges and swift rivers in the Himalayas.



Penmanship



Use your best handwriting.

L List six things a teacher uses in her work.



Spelling - Definitions



M Write a spelling word that names the kind of person who would do each thing.

44. _____ sells houses or other properties
45. _____ packs suitcases to prepare for a trip
46. _____ secretly plots to overthrow his government
47. _____ tries to sell things over the phone
48. _____ arranges a harmony that fits with a melody
49. _____ leads the executive branch of state government, like a president leads a country
50. _____ works with other members of a senate to create laws
51. _____ habitually studies for personal enrichment or for an education
52. _____ checks train passengers' tickets
53. _____ leads an organization or heads a division of a larger company

N Write a spelling word to complete each sentence.

54. Boaz was an _____ of King David.
55. During the storm, the _____ could not find stars bright enough to steer his ship by.
56. A _____ in South Africa's Mponeng gold mine might work two miles below the earth's surface.
57. Our _____ cannot finish building the house before December.
58. Exhausted from his studies, the _____ fell asleep on a pile of books.
59. A local _____ will provide lunch for the convention at Onyx Farms.
60. Kailey had her graduation pictures taken by a _____ her mom knew.
61. A _____ has the right to return defective items for a refund.
62. Julius Caesar served as _____ of Rome for a little more than four years.
63. Not a single _____ was killed in the train wreck.
64. Shane's parents hired a math _____ to help him with his algebra.

△ **O** Write the Section 2 spelling words in your notebook.