

UNIT
10

Words from Spanish Name:

Read and Say

Basic

1. coyote
2. mesa
3. savanna
4. adobe
5. pueblo
6. stampede
7. lariat
8. bronco
9. barbecue
10. tornado
11. indigo
12. jaguar
13. mosquito
14. sierra
15. avocado
16. alfalfa
17. cafeteria
18. mascara
19. pimento
20. armada

READ the sentences. SAY each bold word.

- 1 Is the **coyote** related to the wolf?
- 2 We camped on the **mesa** high above the desert.
- 3 Lions roamed free on the grassy **savanna**.
- 4 Bricks made of **adobe** are baked in the sun.
- 5 One man lived on the top floor of the **pueblo**.
- 11 The **stampede** of elephants shook the ground.
- 12 She tied a loop in the rope to form a **lariat**.
- 13 Can you catch and ride that **bronco**?
- 14 Clean the grill before lighting the **barbecue**.
- 15 The winds of the **tornado** caused much damage.
- 20 The night sky was a deep **indigo** blue.
- 19 Is a **jaguar** as fast as a tiger?
- 16 The **mosquito** is my least favorite insect.
- 17 Snow covered the sharp peaks of the **sierra**.
- 16 Chop up an **avocado** for the salad.
- 10 Our cattle are fed hay and **alfalfa**.
- 9 Does the school **cafeteria** serve good food?
- 8 Use **mascara** to make your eyelashes look long.
- 7 He likes the red **pimento** in green olives.
- 6 Each ship in the **armada** was ready for war.



Spelling Strategy Knowing how to pronounce a word from Spanish will often help you spell it.

Think and Write Write the Basic Words.

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| Review | 23. chocolate |
| 21. cargo | 24. vanilla |
| 22. hammock | 25. cocoa |

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| Challenge | 28. incommunicado |
| 26. bravado | 29. flotilla |
| 27. renegade | 30. aficionado |

Independent Practice

Vocabulary: Using Context Write the Basic Word that completes each sentence. Use your Spelling Dictionary.

1. Riding a bucking _____ is nearly as dangerous as riding a bull.
2. The explosive noise caused the cattle to _____.
3. The outlaws fled, heading for the jagged peaks of the _____.
4. Center Falls is holding its annual chicken _____ Sunday.
5. Hank roped the calf with a quick throw of his _____.
6. A herd of buffalo grazed on the flat, grassy _____.
7. Maria peeled the _____ and cut up its soft pulp.
8. The only cosmetic sold at Jeb's General Store is _____.
9. An _____ sailed into the harbor soon after talk of war began.
10. The _____ rose out of the desert like an enormous table of rock.
11. The _____ whirled through the hills, uprooting many trees in its path.
12. Zeke's Grill is famous throughout the Southwest for its hamburgers cooked with onion and bits of red _____.
13. Some Hopi families still lived in the _____.

Vocabulary: Classifying Write the Basic Word that fits each group. Use your Spelling Dictionary.

14. lion, leopard, cheetah, _____
15. horsefly, wasp, gnat, _____
16. scarlet, violet, aqua, _____
17. cement, wood, stone, _____
18. wolf, fox, jackal, _____
19. restaurant, diner, snack bar, _____
20. hay, grass, wheat, _____

Challenge Words Write the Challenge Word that completes each sentence. Use your Spelling Dictionary.

21. Someone forced to be out of touch with others is _____.
22. Someone who is a deserter or an outlaw is a _____.
23. Someone who enthusiastically admires rodéos is an _____ of the western competitions.
24. Someone sailing in a fleet of ships is traveling with a _____.
25. Someone who struts and bluffs is full of _____.



Using Context

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Classifying

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Challenge Words

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Dictionary

Variations in Spelling and Pronunciation Sometimes there is more than one acceptable way to spell a word. If so, the dictionary entry will show the variations.

sa·van·na or **sa·van·nah** [sə vǎn' ə] *n.* A flat, treeless grassland of warm regions. [Earlier *zavana*, from Spanish.]

Dictionary entries also indicate variations in the pronunciation of a word. Although each pronunciation shown is acceptable, the one listed first is usually the preferred or most common one.

coy·o·te [kī ō' tē] or [kī' ōt'] *n.* A wolflike animal common in western North America. [Mexican Spanish from Nahuatl *cōyotl*.]

Practice Write the other acceptable spelling for each word below. Underline the letter or letters that are spelled differently. Use your Spelling Dictionary.

1. catalog 2. omelet 3. dialogue 4. encyclopedia

Write the number of acceptable pronunciations for each word below. Use your Spelling Dictionary.

5. adverse 6. dossier 7. versatile 8. diversion

Review: Spelling Spree

Letter Math Add and subtract letters from the words below to make Basic or Review Words. Write the new words.

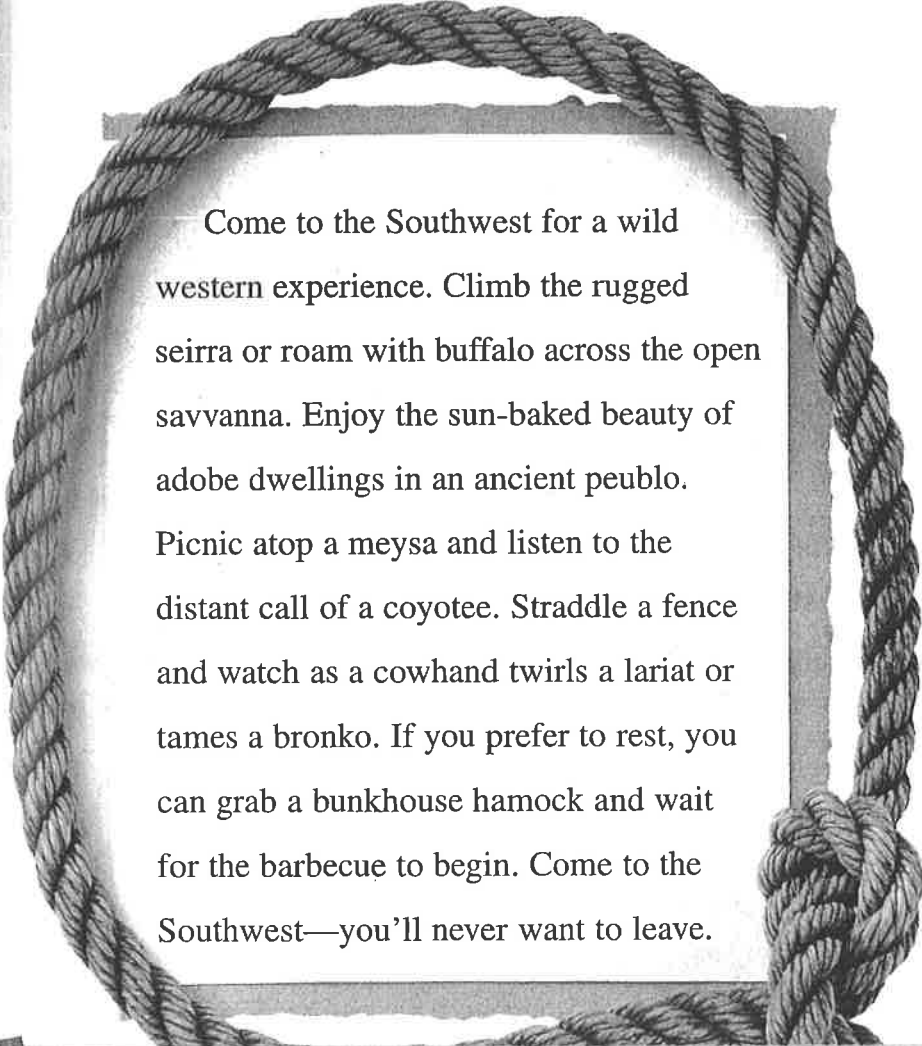
Example: ham + mockery – ery = *hammock*

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| 9. pi + mental – al + o = | 18. large + giant – geg – n = |
| 10. ad + obey – y = | 19. bin – b + dig + o = |
| 11. stamp + edit – it + e = | 20. v + anthill – th + a = |
| 12. ja + guard – d = | 21. torn + adore – re = |
| 13. car + goat – at = | 22. choke – ke + co + late = |
| 14. barbed – d + cute – t = | 23. ma + scary – y + a = |
| 15. cafe + term – m + ia = | 24. avoid – id + cad + o = |
| 16. all – l + fall – l + fa = | 25. mo + squirt – r + o = |
| 17. float – a + ill + a = | |


Proofreading and Writing

Proofread for Spelling Use proofreading marks to correct seven misspelled Basic or Review Words in this excerpt from a travel brochure.

Example: Help yourself to a cup of ^{cocoa}~~coaco~~ from the chuck wagon.



Come to the Southwest for a wild western experience. Climb the rugged seirra or roam with buffalo across the open savvanna. Enjoy the sun-baked beauty of adobe dwellings in an ancient peublo. Picnic atop a meysa and listen to the distant call of a coyotee. Straddle a fence and watch as a cowhand twirls a lariat or tames a bronko. If you prefer to rest, you can grab a bunkhouse hamock and wait for the barbecue to begin. Come to the Southwest—you'll never want to leave.



Write a Descriptive Paragraph Think of what you know about the Southwest, through personal experience, films, or books and articles you have read. Write a paragraph describing the sights, sounds, and smells someone might experience in the Southwest. Try to use five spelling words.

Sensory imagery

*Do
20 pts*

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Proofreading Marks

- ¶ Indent
- ^ Add
- ^ Add a comma
- “ ” Add quotation marks
- ⊙ Add a period
- Delete
- ≡ Capital letter
- / Small letter
- ~ Reverse order

Unit 10
BONUS

Expanding Vocabulary

Spelling
Word Link
adobe

Context Clues Because an appositive identifies another noun, it is often an excellent context clue. Suppose you did not know the word *adobe*. The appositive in this sentence might help.

The house was made of adobe, **brick made of clay and straw**.

Write the meaning of each underlined word.

1. The sirocco, a hot southerly wind, blew along the plain.
2. Horses roam on the pampa, a South American grassland.
3. The woman photographed a paloverde, a small thorny shrub.
4. The skink, a desert lizard, sat by the rock.
5. The naturalist spotted two rheas, ostrichlike birds.

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TEST-TAKING TACTICS 

Sentence Completion Sentence completion test questions consist of a sentence with one or two blanks and four or five choices of answers to fit in the blanks. You are to read the sentence and choose the word or set of words that *best* fits the sentence's meaning. Look at this sample question.

Although the surface land in much of the Southwest is _____, these deserts are rich in concealed mineral deposits.

- (A) scenic (B) scarce (C) barren (D) valuable (E) dry

Many sentence completion questions, including the one above, contain words such as *but*, *however*, *nonetheless*, or *although*. These words signal a contrast between two ideas. When you see one of these words, scan the answer choices for a word that means the opposite of another word in the sentence. Use this tactic to answer the following questions.

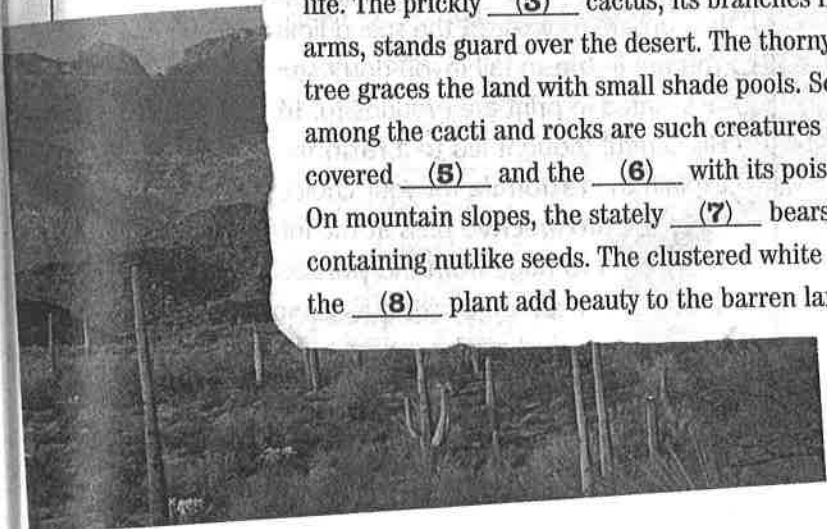
6. Which word in the sample sentence serves as the contrast signal?
7. For which word in the sentence should you find an antonym?
8. Which answer choice correctly completes the sentence? Write its letter.

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7.	_____
8.	_____

Real-World Connection

Social Studies: The American Southwest All the words in the box relate to the American Southwest. Look up these words in your Spelling Dictionary. Then write the words to complete this paragraph.

The American Southwest boasts a landscape rich in wonders. From the towering flat top of a (1) to the shallow, winding bottom of a (2), this dry land is full of life. The prickly (3) cactus, its branches like upraised arms, stands guard over the desert. The thorny (4) tree graces the land with small shade pools. Scuttling among the cacti and rocks are such creatures as the plate-covered (5) and the (6) with its poisonous tail. On mountain slopes, the stately (7) bears pine cones containing nutlike seeds. The clustered white flowers of the (8) plant add beauty to the barren landscape.



Spelling
Word Link

mesa

- mesquite
- butte
- scorpion
- saguaro
- gulch
- armadillo
- yucca
- piñon

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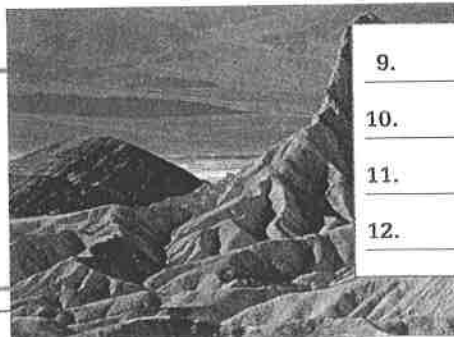
TRY THIS!

True or False? Write *T* if a sentence is true and *F* if it is false.

9. A scorpion makes a good house pet.
10. The armadillo burrows for shelter.
11. A butte wanders aimlessly along the desert floor.
12. The mesquite protects itself with a stinging tail.

Fact File

Death Valley got its name in 1849 from some prospectors who lost their way in this California desert. The prospectors managed to cross the mountains that ring the desolate expanse, but their fearful name for the region stuck.



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