

**Required Reading:** Unit 2 – *The Oldest Rookie*, <Vocabulary in Context>, on classroom website.

**Word Clarity:**

For each vocabulary word write the word, spell it correctly, name the part of speech, write the definition of the word, 2 synonyms, and 2 antonyms. For assistance regarding the definitions and part of speech an audio is available at: [vocabularyworkshop.com](http://vocabularyworkshop.com). This website also offers games for study purposes. For assistance the synonyms and antonyms use: [www.thesaurus.com](http://www.thesaurus.com). A (book) dictionary is also very helpful and may be checked out from the classroom.

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| 1. Antics | 3. Banter    | 5. Congested | 7. Durable      | 9. Frugal    |
| 2. Avowed | 4. Bountiful | 6. Detriment | 8. Enterprising | 10. Gingerly |

**Fill in the blank**

Directions: Fill in the blanks below with the correct academic vocabulary word. Be sure to spell the word correction.

- At home, we usually prepare \_\_\_\_\_ but nourishing and delicious meals.
- On Thanksgiving Day, people all over America celebrate the \_\_\_\_\_ gifts of nature.
- Denim is a very \_\_\_\_\_ kind of fabric. Most people own household \_\_\_\_\_ such as furniture and appliances.
- Difficult and demanding customers should be handled in a \_\_\_\_\_ and courteous manner. Pedestrians made their way \_\_\_\_\_ along the slippery, snow-covered streets.
- The home team survived a six-game losing streak with almost \_\_\_\_\_ to its standing in the league.
- The governor was an \_\_\_\_\_ supporter of the plan to aid public libraries throughout the state.
- The doctor grew very concerned when the patient's lungs became \_\_\_\_\_ with fluid.
- There is nothing my friends and I enjoy more than to \_\_\_\_\_ good-naturedly for hours. Casual \_\_\_\_\_ helps to pass the time during a long journey.
- An \_\_\_\_\_ young person may turn a hobby into a way of earning money to pay for college.
- The \_\_\_\_\_ of the chimpanzees amused the crowds at the zoo.