

Task 1

Complete the grid to identify the root words.

Root word	'ive' suffix
initiate	
	decisive
excess	
	destructive
represent	
	discriminative
reconstruct	
	sensitive

Answers

Root word	'ive' suffix
initiate	initiative
decide	decisive
excess	excessive
structure	destructive
represent	representative
crime	discriminative
reconstruct	reconstructive
sense	sensitive

Task 2

Place the words into the correct place in the sentences.

secretive	obsessive	active	impressive	disruptive
massive	motive	festive	pensive	effective

- 1) The statue they have built is _____.
- 2) There are two boys in our form who are very _____.
- 3) Christmas is a very _____ occasion.
- 4) Our puppy is so _____ he wears me out.
- 5) You look _____ what are you thinking about?
- 6) The boy was _____ about where he found the money.
- 7) Some tablets are an _____ cure for colds.
- 8) The graduation ball was a very _____ occasion.
- 9) My dad is _____ about Manchester United.
- 10) What was the _____ for the crime?

Answers

- 1) The statue they have built is **massive**
- 2) There are two boys in our form who are very **disruptive**.
- 3) Christmas is a very **festive** occasion.
- 4) Our puppy is so **active** he wears me out.
- 5) You look **pensive** what are you thinking about?
- 6) The boy was **secretive** about where he found the money.
- 7) Some tablets are an **effective** cure for colds.
- 8) The graduation ball was a very **impressive** occasion.
- 9) My dad is **obsessive** about Manchester United.
- 10) What was the **motive** for the crime?

Create your own sentences using these words.

initiative	inquisitive	decisive	excessive	destructive
representative	discriminative	reconstructive	sensitive	aggressive

Task 3

Select the correct word to complete each sentence.

a) The Scout leader told the children to use their _____ when trying to solve the problem. (initiate / initiative)

b) It was hard to _____ whether to choose sweets or chocolate for my treat. (decide / decisive)

c) The fire fighters had to use _____ force when trying to break open the door. (excess / excessive)

d) The doctor had to perform _____ surgery on the girl's face after she was in an awful accident. (reconstruct / reconstructive)

e) My auntie is the only _____ of mine who has green eyes rather than blue. (relate / relative)

f) Make sure that you are careful near the fire as it might _____!
(explode / explosive)

Answers

- a) The Scout leader told the children to use their **initiative** when trying to solve the problem. (initiate / initiative)
- b) It was hard to **decide** whether to choose sweets or chocolate for my treat.
(decide / decisive)
- c) The fire fighters had to use **excessive** force when trying to break open the door.
(excess / excessive)
- d) The doctor had to perform **reconstructive** surgery on the girl's face after she was in an awful accident. (reconstruct / reconstructive)
- e) My auntie is the only **relative** of mine who has green eyes rather than blue.
(relate / relative)
- f) Make sure that you are careful near the fire as it might **explode**!
(explode / explosive)

I	G	S	T	D	E	C	I	S	I	V	E	A	L	C	F	T	D
N	I	S	E	I	N	I	T	I	A	T	I	V	E	B	N	A	E
Q	N	T	R	N	K	P	X	Q	Y	P	H	C	G	B	H	G	S
U	W	Q	Y	Q	S	Y	W	X	N	L	O	P	Z	R	V	G	T
I	D	I	S	C	R	I	M	I	N	A	T	I	V	E	H	R	R
S	J	G	Y	Z	L	D	T	S	X	I	Z	Y	M	C	J	E	U
I	P	U	O	T	E	O	D	I	V	C	N	X	N	C	N	S	C
T	U	M	Q	D	H	Q	P	D	V	F	S	I	S	I	X	S	T
I	I	E	X	C	E	S	S	I	V	E	D	Z	J	R	T	I	I
V	H	O	I	I	F	P	O	D	V	Z	T	I	L	K	X	V	V
E	L	R	E	P	R	E	S	E	N	T	A	T	I	V	E	E	E
W	R	E	C	O	N	S	T	R	U	C	T	I	V	E	K	U	R

Find the following words in the puzzle. Words are hidden → ↓ and ↘ .

AGGRESSIVE

DISCRIMINATIVE

DESTRUCTIVE

DECISIVE

EXCESSIVE

INITIATIVE

INQUISITIVE

SENSITIVE

RECONSTRUCTIVE

REPRESENTATIVE