

Warm-ups: Monday, March 30 – Friday, April 3

Monday, March 30

TEST PREP: Copy the following word, part of speech, and definition, along with the sentence that follows. Then copy and complete the analogy below it and write your own sentence using the word.

Emulate (verb) – to try to equal by imitating.

Many kids try to emulate their favorite movie stars by copying their fashions.

EMULATE: COPY::

(A) praise : embarrass

(B) challenge : complete

(C) repair : mend

(D) divert : focus

(E) ignite : extinguish

Now, use emulate in a meaningful sentence of your own.

Tuesday, March 31, 2009

TEST PREP: Copy the word, part of speech, and definition, as well as the sentence that follows.

Assiduous (adjective) – hard-working; diligent.

She was a natural athlete, but with *assiduous* effort she became the best soccer player at school.

*Write three synonyms for assiduous ON YOUR OWN.

Wednesday, April 1, 2009

Write the word, part of speech, definition, and the sentence that follows.

Conform (verb) – to become similar; to act in agreement.

In order to *conform* to the stated school dress code, all young men had to wear ties.

Write the word that is most closely related in meaning to conform.

(A) challenge (B) reward (C) agree (D) disagree

Now write the word that is most nearly OPPOSITE in meaning.

(A) obey (B) affirm (C) omit (D) differ

Thursday, April 2, 2009

Write the word, part of speech, and definition, as well as the sentence that follows.

Benevolent (adj) – kindly; charitable

After the earthquake, many *benevolent* volunteer groups assisted the victims.

Copy and complete the following analogy.

BENEVOLENT : DONOR

(A) quiet : orator

(B) disloyal : competitor

(C) nimble : athlete

(D) inquisitive : researcher

(E) honorable : traitor

Friday, April 3, 2009

Write the word, part of speech, and definition, as well as the sentence that follows.

Spurious (adjective) – fake; false; counterfeit

The political candidate's *spurious* claims misled people into thinking he had accomplished much in his short time in office.

Decide whether each word below is a synonym or an antonym of *spurious*.

valid factual fraudulent phony affected genuine