

Warm-Ups: 04/27/2009 – 05/01/2009

Monday, April 27

Copy the following word, part of speech, and definition, as well as the sentence that follows:

scrutinize – verb – to observe carefully.

The archaeologist **scrutinized** the ancient burial site before beginning the expensive digging process.

Copy and complete the analogy:

scan : **scrutinize** :: look : _____

ponder stare regress meddle parry

Tuesday, April 28

Copy the following word, definition, and part of speech, as well as the sentence that follows:

perfidious – adj – disloyal

The candidate's **perfidious** advisory revealed all of his boss's secret strategies to the reporter.

Determine whether the following words are synonyms or antonyms of **perfidious**:

faithless loyal faithful honest

deceitful corrupt untrustworthy dishonorable

Wednesday, April 29

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

- **exasperation** – n – irritation, frustration

The choreographer couldn't hide her **exasperation** when the dancers made a mess of the dance routine.

Which words are similar in meaning to **exasperation**?

annoyance happiness disappointment exuberance alienation vexation advocacy displeasure
ecstasy discontent

Thursday, April 30

Copy the following word, part of speech, and definition, as well as the sentence that follows:

prosperity – noun – wealth, success.

In the post-war years, the country enjoyed great **prosperity**, which was a welcome change from the pre-war Great Depression years.

Copy and complete the following analogy:

success : **prosperity** :: failure : _____

Friday, May 1

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

nefarious – adj – evil, vicious

The attorney was known for using **nefarious** tactics; she seemed to enjoy her negative reputation.

Determine whether the following words are synonyms or antonyms of **nefarious**:

mean benevolent wicked impious virtuous good vile malevolent upright