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Words to Know SkillBuilder

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aghast daunt heft renown uncanny
amended efficacious ingeniously reproof unwieldy
chagrin flinch pivot respite wince

A. For each phrase in the first column, find the phrase in the second column that is closest in meaning. Write the letter of that phrase on the line.

1. a famous funny guy
   A. cleverly endeavor
2. ingeniously try
   B. a clown of renown
3. a break from exams
   C. to want to daunt
4. finally horrified
   D. akin to chagrin
5. to hoist in a robbery
   E. aghast at last
6. marvelously changed
   F. splendidly amended
7. to desire to dishearten
   G. to heft in a theft
8. much like embarrassment
   H. a respite from testing
9. reprimands for the shinglers
   I. flinch from pinching
10. wince from painful squeezing
    J. reproofs for the roofers

B. Fill in each blank with the correct word from the word list.

1. One ___________________________ suitcase can be more difficult to deal with than several smaller ones, even if the total weight is the same.

2. The axle of a car is the ___________________________ point around which the wheels revolve.

3. Health experts question how ___________________________ dieting can be if it is not accompanied by exercise and permanent changes in eating habits.

4. Would anyone really want the ___________________________ ability to read other people’s minds?

5. You would probably feel ___________________________ about losing a contest you bragged you would win.

C. Briefly describe the battle on New Year’s Day between Sir Gawain and the Green Knight, using at least five of the Words to Know.