

Bronx Masquerade

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Power Vocabulary Activity



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

Directions: For each vocabulary word below, circle it in the letter grid above—up and down, across, backwards or diagonally. Going across each row starting at the top left, place each unused letter on a blank until you reveal the hidden message.

ACCIDENTAL	COMPLEXION	GRADUATE	PROJECT
ASSEMBLY	CONCENTRATE	HEIGHT	SKELETON
AUDIENCE	CUE	IMAGINARY	SKETCH
BACKWARD	FEVER	POETRY	TYPICAL
CHOICE	GALLERY	PRINCIPAL	VOLUNTEER

Hidden Message:

WHAT DO THE STUDENTS STUDY IN ENGLISH CLASS POETRY.

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Across

3. having traits or qualities that are normal for a type or class; conforming to a type or class
5. a measurement of how high something is
8. a body temperature that is higher than normal
10. the people who watch or listen to a performance, speech or movie
11. a place where paintings, sculpture, photographs, etc. are exhibited and sometimes sold
14. to focus your thoughts and attention on something
17. a school assignment worked on over a period of time
19. occurring unexpectedly or by chance; happening without intent or through carelessness and often with unfortunate results
20. the framework of bones that supports and protects the body of an animal with a backbone

Down

1. existing in the imagination and not the real world
2. the color and look of the skin, especially that on your face
4. a meeting of lots of people
6. to finish a course of study in a school and receive a diploma
7. to offer to do a job, usually without pay
9. the head of a public school
12. in the opposite to the usual way

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Directions: For each vocabulary word in the left column, locate its definition in the right column. Write the number of the correct definition in the blank before the word.

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| <u> 3</u> accidental | 1. to offer to do a job, usually without pay |
| <u> 5</u> assembly | 2. the people who watch or listen to a performance, speech or movie |
| <u> 2</u> audience | 3. occurring unexpectedly or by chance; happening without intent or through carelessness and often with unfortunate results |
| <u> 12</u> backward | 4. the head of a public school |
| <u> 18</u> choice | 5. a meeting of lots of people |
| <u> 20</u> complexion | 6. a body temperature that is higher than normal |
| <u> 14</u> concentrate | 7. writing that formulates a concentrated imaginative awareness of experience in language chosen and arranged to create a specific emotional response through meaning, sound, and rhythm |
| <u> 17</u> cue | 8. the framework of bones that supports and protects the body of an animal with a backbone |
| <u> 6</u> fever | 9. a place where paintings, sculpture, photographs, etc. are exhibited and sometimes sold |
| <u> 9</u> gallery | 10. a school assignment worked on over a period of time |
| <u> 19</u> graduate | 11. a quick, rough drawing of something |
| <u> 13</u> height | 12. in the opposite to the usual way |
| <u> 15</u> imaginary | 13. a measurement of how high something is |
| <u> 7</u> poetry | 14. to focus your thoughts and attention on something |
| <u> 4</u> principal | 15. existing in the imagination and not the real world |
| <u> 10</u> project | 16. having traits or qualities that are normal for a type or class; conforming to a type or class |
| <u> 8</u> skeleton | 17. any signal to do something |
| <u> 11</u> sketch | 18. to select freely and after consideration |
| <u> 16</u> typical | 19. to finish a course of study in a school and receive a diploma |
| <u> 1</u> volunteer | 20. the color and look of the skin, especially that on your face |

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Power Vocabulary Assessment



Directions: Now that you have completed *Bronx Masquerade*, it's time to see if you can use the Power Vocabulary Words you learned while reading this book. Look at each of the sentences below and fill in the Power Vocabulary Word that would best complete the sentence.

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1. It is typical for children to be scared or nervous on their first day of school.
2. Giving the table back its former beauty was just the kind of restoration project she loved.
3. The child had an imaginary friend that only he could see.
4. The artist did the sketch with colored pencils and charcoal.
5. Jill needed peace and quiet to concentrate on her math homework.
6. The man just happened to be standing in front of the building that was being featured on the news, so his appearance on TV was just accidental.
7. While she was sick, her complexion became ashen.
8. Their teacher explained that good poetry was filled with vivid imagery.
9. The coach wanted Bobby to try out for the basketball team because of his impressive height.
10. They passed through a picture gallery on the way to the museum shop.
11. He was feeling very ill and had a fever.
12. The students at the assembly talked and laughed until the principal came in and asked for their attention.
13. The teacher needed someone to volunteer to come to the hospital and read to some of the patients.
14. She waited for the conductor's cue before she began playing her part in the symphony.
15. She was a famous pianist playing a concerto before a packed audience at a symphony hall.
16. Ross shut the door without a backward glance.
17. Next year, over three hundred students will graduate from high school and go on to college.
18. The neighborhood assembly met at the coffee shop to discuss the safety of their children.
19. "How many bones make up my skeleton?" Fernando asked the doctor.
20. "The pasta is an excellent choice," the waitress offered as Tara examined the menu.