

Name _____

Period _____

English 10 Vocabulary Lesson 12

Word List

**appease
espionage****archaic
facsimile****balmy
invincible****beguile
pretext****commence
vigilant**

Part I--Directions: Next to each definition, write the vocabulary word that matches it. Label the part of speech and label each word as + (positive), - (negative), or N (neutral).

Vocabulary Word	POS	Definition	+, -, or N
		Mild and pleasant; soothing	
		An exact replica, copy, duplicate, reproduction	
		Alert; watchful; wary	
		To begin; to initiate; to start	
		No longer in general use; old-fashioned; antique	
		Not to be overcome; unconquerable	
		To cheat or deceive; to mislead by tricking or cheating	
		To soothe or pacify; to satisfy; especially by giving in to demands	
		A false reason concealing a real one; an excuse	
		spying	

Part II—Related Words and Prefixes/Suffixes—Fill in the Chart.

Vocabulary Word	Related Words	Prefixes	Suffixes
appease			
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Part III: Directions: Fill in each blank with a word from the list. Each word should only be used once. Underline the words in the sentence that help you guess what the word means.

- Workers in the hot desert probably appreciated any _____ winds that blew in to make the temperature more pleasant.
- The whole class wanted more time to study and discuss Egypt’s famous pyramids, especially the methods used in constructing them, but we didn’t know if Mr. Sims would give in to our requests. To _____ us, he agreed to hold a round-table discussion about pyramids.
- As you would expect, the construction methods were _____, but though they seem outdated to us, they were effective,
- There could have been some _____ going on. You know, some workers might have been spying and finding out secret plans about burial chambers—where the really valuable items were kept.
- I’ve read about tomb robbers. Do you think some robbers _____ construction bosses by deceiving them about the real reasons they were working on the pyramids?

6. It's not likely because as far as we can tell, pyramids were built mainly by slave labor. I'm not sure robbers would undertake such hard work. Once they _____ work, they probably wouldn't be able to get out of it for months.
7. Some of those Egyptian pharaohs thought themselves _____--that no one and nothing could conquer them. I'm surprised they ever thought they would die and would need these enormous tombs!
8. Would the workers have stolen plans, hired scribes to make _____ plans, and then have given these duplicates to would-be tomb robbers?
9. It is true that pharaohs had to be _____ concerning their place in history, but no matter how alert and wary a pharaoh was, his great works and even his name could be erased from the land by later rulers.
10. The Egyptians believed that the pharaoh needed a magnificent place in which to spend the afterlife. But I've always suspected that building a burial tomb may have been merely some sort of _____ by a pharaoh. For example, the pharaoh may have said he needed a burial tomb, but he really wanted a spectacular monument to himself.

Part IV—Study Aids

Directions—Complete an activity that you think will help you remember your words for your test. You may choose one of the following:

- **Flashcards**
- **Write sentences**
- **Draw pictures**
- **Write synonyms for each word in a chart**
- **Do a color sheet and apply the words**