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## Pronunciation and Meaning

### Using a Dictionary to Use Words Properly

**Directions:** In each set of sentences below, only one uses the underlined word correctly. Choose the correct sentence. Write its letter in the box. Use a dictionary to help you determine the possible meanings of each underlined word.



1. A. The teacher wanted to commend Jerry on his improvement.  
B. The teacher wanted to commend a math tutor for Jerry.
2. A. It is stifle in the house in the summer, since we don't have air conditioning.  
B. Peggy is afraid her parents will stifle her ambitions.
3. A. I would like to publicly declare my support for you.  
B. Kim is in declare over losing her pet cat.
4. A. I absolutely loathe examination time.  
B. Bill tried to bake a loathe of bread.
5. A. It takes a majority of the states to ratify a constitutional amendment.  
B. Linda's majority in college was English.
6. A. I didn't think that the dialogue was very well written.  
B. I don't recognize that dialogue; what part of the country are you from?
7. A. It is very swarm outside tonight.  
B. We were attacked by a swarm of bees.
8. A. Janet likes to look at herself in the mere.  
B. We had to make do with mere crumbs to eat.
9. A. The cell phone is a truly amazing innovation.  
B. Henry got the innovation but wasn't sure he would attend.
10. A. Amelia is really starting to look with terrain upon anyone who didn't go to college.  
B. I prefer an all-terrain vehicle.