

Real-Life Word Connections

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Quick Review

Knowing a word means more than a definition — it means recognizing the word in real life. Each item below has FOUR realistic scenes; only one shows the target trait. The other three show DIFFERENT positive traits.

PRACTICE

Pick the scenario that BEST shows the bolded word. All four scenes describe positive behavior — you must match the exact trait.

1. Which scenario BEST shows **perseverance**?
 - A. Sam asks a friend right away to solve the puzzle for him.
 - B. Sam keeps trying the puzzle for an hour until it's finally solved.
 - C. Sam encourages his classmate not to give up on a hard puzzle.
 - D. Sam carefully reads the puzzle directions before starting.
2. Which person shows **generosity**?
 - A. Jin shares her snacks with classmates who forgot their lunches.
 - B. Jin tells the truth when she breaks the cookie jar.
 - C. Jin practices the piano for an hour every single day.
 - D. Jin says hello to the new student in class.
3. Which scenario shows **curiosity**?
 - A. Mark cleans up his desk before leaving school each day.
 - B. Mark waits patiently for his turn in the lunch line.
 - C. Mark asks many questions about how clouds form and reads weather books.
 - D. Mark stands up for a classmate who is being teased.
4. Which scenario shows **cooperation**?
 - A. One kid does the whole group project while the others watch.
 - B. Each kid finishes their own page of the group project alone.
 - C. The kids argue loudly about who should be in charge.
 - D. The team divides tasks fairly and helps one another finish.



5. Which scenario BEST shows **responsibility**?
 - A. Tara remembers her brother's birthday and makes him a card.
 - B. Tara feeds the dog and finishes her homework on her own each night.
 - C. Tara cheers her teammates on at every soccer game.
 - D. Tara invites a lonely classmate to sit with her at lunch.
6. Which scenario shows **courage**?
 - A. Owen offers his eraser to a classmate who needs one.
 - B. Owen listens carefully when the teacher gives directions.
 - C. Owen speaks up and tells a bully to stop, even though his heart is pounding.
 - D. Owen practices his free throws for an hour each day.
7. Which scenario shows **empathy**?
 - A. Maya sits beside her friend who is crying and quietly listens.
 - B. Maya offers her friend a cookie when she sees her looking hungry.
 - C. Maya tells her friend the truth about who took the missing pencil.
 - D. Maya helps her friend study for tomorrow's spelling quiz.
8. Which scenario shows **honesty**?
 - A. Leo cleans up the broken vase before anyone notices it.
 - B. Leo helps his sister glue the broken vase back together.
 - C. Leo apologizes to his mom for shouting at her earlier.
 - D. Leo tells his mom that he — not his sister — accidentally broke the vase.
9. Which person shows **patience**?
 - A. Sofia ties her brother's shoes for him quickly so they aren't late.
 - B. Sofia waits calmly while her little brother slowly ties his own shoes.
 - C. Sofia teaches her brother a faster way to tie his shoes.
 - D. Sofia praises her brother when he finally finishes tying his shoes.
10. Which scenario shows **determination**?
 - A. Jordan practices free throws every day until he can sink ten in a row.
 - B. Jordan teaches a younger kid how to shoot a free throw.
 - C. Jordan cheers loudly for his teammates from the bench.
 - D. Jordan thanks his coach after every practice.



Answer Keys

- 1 A B C D
- 2 A B C D
- 3 A B C D
- 4 A B C D
- 5 A B C D

- 6 A B C D
- 7 A B C D
- 8 A B C D
- 9 A B C D
- 10 A B C D

Explanations

1. B	Perseverance = sticking with a task through difficulty. A shows dependence/help-seeking; C shows <i>encouragement</i> ; D shows <i>preparation</i> .
2. A	Generosity = giving freely to others. B shows <i>honesty</i> ; C shows <i>discipline/perseverance</i> ; D shows <i>friendliness</i> .
3. C	Curiosity = eagerness to learn or find out. A shows <i>responsibility</i> ; B shows <i>patience</i> ; D shows <i>courage</i> .
4. D	Cooperation = working together. A is doing-it-all-alone (no teamwork); B is parallel solo work (also not cooperation); C is conflict (the opposite).
5. B	Responsibility = doing your expected duties on your own. A is <i>thoughtfulness</i> ; C is <i>encouragement</i> ; D is <i>kindness</i> .
6. C	Courage = doing the right thing despite fear. A is <i>generosity/kindness</i> ; B is <i>attentiveness</i> ; D is <i>perseverance</i> .
7. A	Empathy = sharing and understanding another's feelings. B is <i>generosity</i> ; C is <i>honesty</i> ; D is <i>helpfulness</i> .
8. D	Honesty = telling the truth. A is hiding (the opposite of honest); B is <i>helpfulness</i> ; C is <i>regret/apology</i> .
9. B	Patience = waiting calmly without complaining. A is <i>helpfulness</i> (and impatience!); C is <i>teaching</i> ; D is <i>encouragement</i> .
10. A	Determination = firm decision to keep going until a goal is met. B is <i>mentorship</i> ; C is <i>team spirit</i> ; D is <i>gratitude</i> .

