READING AND WRITING UNIT 1 VOCABULARY SKILL

USING THE DICTIONARY

Instruction: Use the given dictionary pages to answer the questions that follow.

perceive *verb trans.* **(perceived, perceiving)** **1** to apprehend (an image) by sight. **2** to understand, interpret, or view: *perceived her role as teacher, not disciplinarian.* ▸ **perceivable** *adj.*

percent *or* **per cent** (SYMBOL **%**) *adv.* **1** in or for every 100. **2** on a scale of 1 to 100: *90 percent certain.* —*noun* (*usu.* **percent**) **1** a percentage or proportion. **2** one part on every 100: *half a percent.*

percentage (pər-sĕnt'ĭj) *noun* **1** an amount, number, or rate stated as a proportion of one hundred. **2** a proportion.

1. What part of speech is "percent"?

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2. How many meanings does the word "perceive" have?

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3. What are the two ways to spell the irregular word forms of "perceive"?

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1. Does the word "phenomenon" have multiple definitions?

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2. What is the plural form of the word "phenomenon"?

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3. Does the word "phenomenal" have formal usage?

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phenomenal *adj.* **1** remarkable; extraordinary; abnormal. **2** of the nature of a phenomenon. **3** relating to phenomena. ▸ **phenomenally** *adv.*

phenomenon *noun* (*pl.* **phenomena**) **1** a happening perceived through the senses, esp. if unusual or scientifically explainable. **2** an extraordinary or abnormal person or thing.

Usage Note that *phenomena* is a plural form; *a phenomena* is incorrect, though often heard.

Instruction: Search for the part(s) of speech, spelling of irregular forms, number of multiple definitions and common collocation(s) of the following word:

qualify	**part(s) of speech**	
	Spelling of irregular forms	
	No. of multiple definitions	
	Common collocation(s)	

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