

We Were Liars
Vocabulary Set 1.2

Demented (adj.) -crazy; insane

Endured (verb, used with object) - to hold out against; sustain without impairment or yielding (verb, used without object) - continue to exist; last

Explicitly (adverb) -conveyed in a way that is fully and clearly expressed or demonstrated; leaving nothing merely implied

Exquisite (adj.) - pleasing through beauty, fitness, or perfection

Read the sentences below. Complete each using a word from the word bank above. Write the word of your choice on the line provided. You may have to change the form of the word.

1. Although the concept was incredibly complex, his _____ explanation made it easier to understand.
2. The _____ horse was known in the equestrian community for the rare and beautiful color of its hair.
3. The inmate was considered _____ even by the prisoners' standards, and they tried to avoid him when possible.
4. After everything the woman had already _____, it was heartbreaking to see her give up.

Match the related words on the left with their synonyms on the right by placing the letter of your choice on the line provided.

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| 1. _____ Demented (adj.) | A. Clearly |
| 2. _____ Endured (verb) | B. Crazy |
| 3. _____ Explicitly (adv.) | C. Beautiful |
| 4. _____ Exquisite (adj) | D. Lasted |

Identify each word below as either a synonym (S) or an antonym (A) of the given vocabulary term. Write the letter of your choice on the line provided.

5. DEMENTED

_____ Sane

_____ Rational

_____ Clear-headed

_____ Unreasonable

6. ENDURED

_____ Quit

_____ Resigned

_____ Lasted

_____ Persisted

13. EXPLICITLY

14. EQUITABLE

_____ Clearly

_____ Ideal

_____ Vaguely

_____ Perfect

_____ Ambiguously

_____ Flawless

_____ Uncertainly

_____ Spoiled

REVIEW: Read the statements below and decide whether each is true or false. Place the letter of our answer on the line provided.

1. _____ If you think a painting is *exquisite*, you most likely would not pay a lot of money for it.
2. _____ Creating a transcript of a *covertly* taped phone call would be unethical.
3. _____ Corey's *contemplation* of the situation was evident by the checklist that he had carefully created.
4. _____ I would be comfortable leaving my children with a *demented* babysitter.
5. _____ Quick reflexes and coordination are *assets* on the baseball field.
6. _____ Disappointing his team, Chris *endured* the hunger and broke down and ate a cheeseburger during the fasting fundraiser competition.
7. _____ Despite being on the small side, she had an *aura* like a warrior, so people tended to respect her.
8. _____ Since the directions to the game were very *explicitly* stated, Sarah was able to figure out the rules very quickly.