

TOEFL vocabulary

Match the words with their definitions.

brusque

diatribe

epitome

impoverish

hasty

despise

famine

A time when there is an extreme lack of food.

A sharp criticism or attack.

Abrupt to the point of rudeness.

To hate.

A perfect example of something.

In a hurry.

To reduce to poverty.

Put the words in the sentences:

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1. In order to avoid the police, the robbers made a 1_____ retreat.
2. These medical bills are going to 2_____ me.
3. I 3_____ early morning classes.
4. The politician went into a 4_____ against her opponent.
5. Millions of children in Ethiopia died due to the 5_____ there.
6. The duchess is the 6_____ of class.
7. After being away for so long, I expected more than her 7_____ greeting.

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