

Vocabulary Practice

across
insists

borrow
lonely

countryside
solution

idea
villages

A. Read each clue below. Circle the vocabulary word that matches the clue.

1. says firmly	insists	borrow
2. take and then return something	borrow	villages
3. the answer to a problem	lonely	solution
4. a thought or plan	idea	countryside
5. small towns	villages	insists
6. on the other side	idea	across
7. feeling alone	solution	lonely
8. the land away from cities	countryside	across

B. Write a sentence using the word solution.

Reading Practice

A Food Pantry

Every city or town has people in need. These people do not have much money. They may not have jobs. They may not have homes. They may not get enough to eat. They may need everyday things. They may need



soap or toothpaste. A community can help people in need. A food pantry is a great way to help someone.

The word *pantry* means a “small room used to store food.” Some homes have a pantry. It is a small room with shelves.

A food pantry has things people need. But it is not part of a person’s home. It may be a room in a building. It may be in a community center. Some are inside schools. Some are big and some are small.

Many people come to a food pantry. People who need help get food for free. They may get other things they need, too. The pantry opens on certain days.

People in the community help a food pantry. They volunteer. This means they work without pay. Some people work at the pantry. Others collect things to give to the pantry. Some put things away. People can also give money. The pantry uses it to buy what it needs.

Look at the list on this page. The list shows things a food pantry always needs. A food pantry will also ask for special things at times. It might gather things for school or for a holiday. Many give kids a chance to help. They set up special workdays. Kids come to be volunteers. Maybe you have one near you. Maybe you can help!

What a Food Pantry Needs		
peanut butter	jelly	dried fruit
canned fruit	soup	canned vegetables
rice and beans	nuts	juice boxes
baby food	soap	toothpaste

Now answer Numbers 6 through 10. Base your answers on “A Food Pantry.”

6 Read the sentence from the article.

A food pantry is a great way to help someone.

Which word has almost the same meaning as great in the sentence?

- (A) healthy
- (B) little
- (C) new
- (D) wonderful

7 Why did the author write the article?

- (A) to tell a story about food
- (B) to tell how a food pantry works
- (C) to tell how to start a food pantry
- (D) to tell how food pantries are different

8 Read the paragraph from the article.

Many people come to a food pantry. People who need help get food for free. They may get other things they need, too. The pantry opens on certain days.

Why did the author write this paragraph?

- (A) to tell when to visit a food pantry
- (B) to tell who comes to a food pantry
- (C) to tell what food is at a food pantry
- (D) to tell what a food pantry looks like

9 Read the sentence from the article.

It might gather things for school or for a holiday.

Look at the sentences below. Choose the word that means almost the same as gather.

Some people work at the pantry. Others collect things to give to the pantry. Some put things away. People can also give money. The pantry uses it to buy what it needs.

10 This question has two parts. First, answer part A. Then, answer part B.

Part A: You can donate food to a food pantry. How does the author help to show this?

- *donate (V) = quyên góp*

- Ⓐ by listing things a food pantry needs
- Ⓑ by telling what the word “pantry” means
- Ⓒ by showing where food pantries are found
- Ⓓ by showing that people visit a food pantry

Part B: Look at the article. What can you donate to a food pantry?

- Ⓐ apples
- Ⓑ bread
- Ⓒ milk
- Ⓓ nuts