

CITY OF SHADOWS AND ARTIFACTS

Once upon a time in a city filled with **diverse** cultures and a marketplace **abundant** with unique **commodities**, a **persistent** archaeologist named Dr. Rodriguez lived. His dream was to uncover an ancient **artifact** that would provide insights into the history of a civilization lost to time.

Dr. Rodriguez faced many **obstacles** in his quest, but his **persistence** was **overwhelming**. Day after day, he tirelessly excavated the site, unearthing pottery, tools, and fragments of an ancient world. The artifact, however, remained elusive.

One day, as he excavated a vacant plot near the city center, Dr. Rodriguez discovered a hidden chamber. The mildew-covered walls hinted at the **internal** struggles faced by the ancient people. Among the artifacts, a small, seemingly **inferior** piece caught his eye.

As he held the artifact in his hands, Dr. Rodriguez felt a rush of excitement. **Greed** for knowledge and understanding fueled his determination to **interpret** the symbols engraved on the object. With meticulous care, he studied the artifact, uncovering a story of a once-great civilization that faced ruthless invaders and **internal** conflicts.

News of Dr. Rodriguez's findings spread like wildfire, and the **overwhelming** interest from scholars and historians was evident. The artifact became a symbol of the city's rich history and the resilience of its people. In the end, the artifact found its home in the city's museum, displayed as a testament to the decent efforts of Dr. Rodriguez and the collaborative spirit of a community that celebrated its **diverse heritage**. The once **vacant** plot now held a place of honor, showcasing the internal strength and cultural wealth of the city.



EXERCISES

A: Answer the True-False Questions About The Text

1. Dr. Rodriguez's dream was to uncover an ancient artifact that would provide insights into the history of a recently discovered civilization. (True/False)
2. The marketplace in the city was described as abundant with common, everyday items. (True/False)
3. Dr. Rodriguez faced minimal obstacles in his quest, making the excavation process relatively easy. (True/False)
4. Dr. Rodriguez's efforts were fueled by a rush of excitement when he uncovered the seemingly inferior artifact. (True/False)
5. The artifact remained elusive despite Dr. Rodriguez's persistent efforts to unearth it. (True/False)
6. Greed for wealth and possessions fueled Dr. Rodriguez's determination to interpret the symbols on the artifact. (True/False)
7. News of Dr. Rodriguez's findings had little interest from scholars and historians. (True/False)
8. The artifact found its home in a private collection rather than the city's museum. (True/False)
9. The once-vacant plot became a symbol of the city's rich history and the collaboration of its people. (True/False)
10. The internal struggles of the ancient people were evident in the mildew-covered walls of the hidden chamber. (True/False)

B: Read the sentences and find the definition of given word.

- Once upon a time in a city filled with **diverse** cultures and a marketplace **abundant** with unique **commodities**, a persistent archaeologist named Dr. Rodriguez lived.

1. An item or product that is bought and sold. - _____
2. Varied; showing a great deal of difference. - _____
3. Existing or available in large quantities; plentiful. - _____

- Dr. Rodriguez faced many **obstacles** in his quest, but his **persistence** was **overwhelmingly**

1. very strong. - _____
2. Continuing firmly or obstinately in a course of action despite difficulty or opposition. - _____
3. Something that blocks or hinders progress. - _____

1. As he held the **artifact** in his hands, Dr. Rodriguez felt a rush of excitement. **Greed** for knowledge and understanding fueled his determination to **interpret** the symbols engraved on the object

1. An object made by a human being, is typically an item of cultural or historical interest. - _____
2. Excessive desire for wealth or possessions. - _____
3. To explain or deduce the meaning of something - _____

C: Forget the paragraph of the story and write a new end with your own words

ANSWER KEY

A:

1. False
2. False
3. False
4. True
5. True
6. False
7. False
8. False
9. True
10. True

B:

1. An item or product that is bought and sold. - Commodity
2. Varied; showing a great deal of difference. - Diverse
3. Existing or available in large quantities; plentiful. - Abundant
4. Continuing firmly or obstinately in a course of action despite difficulty or opposition. - Persistently
5. Something that blocks or hinders progress. - Obstacle
6. Greed for knowledge and understanding fueled his determination to interpret the symbols engraved on the object.
7. An object made by a human being, is typically an item of cultural or historical interest. - Artefact
8. Excessive desire for wealth or possessions. - Greed
9. To explain or deduce the meaning of something - Interpret