1.1 Fearsome Sea Creature

This sea creature is one of the world's most fearsome predators. What is it?

To answer the question, match each word on the left with its synonym on the right. Write the letter of each answer in the space above the word's number at the bottom of the page. You will need to divide the letters into words.

Words	**Synonyms**
1. common _____	G. noteworthy
2. entire _____	H. separate
3. comical _____	S. freedom
4. gigantic _____	T. usual
5. liberty _____	I. frighten
6. awkward _____	E. complete
7. startle _____	K. attractive
8. cute _____	W. amusing
9. outstanding _____	R. clumsy
10. divide _____	A. huge

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1.2 First and Last

This American colony was the first to declare its independence from Great Britain in 1776. It was also the last of the original 13 colonies to ratify the Constitution in 1790. What was the name of this colony?

To answer the question, complete each sentence with the correct word. Choose your answers from the words after the sentences. Write the letter of each answer in the space above its sentence number at the bottom of the page. You will need to divide the letters into words. One letter is provided.

1. Americans fought the Revolutionary War to gain their _____.
2. The baby hugged the _____ little teddy bear.
3. Susan was named student writer of the month for her _____ story.
4. We laughed throughout the _____ TV show.
5. Hot summers are _____ in Arizona.
6. Because of heavy traffic, we spent the _____ day driving to grandmother's house.
7. The little boy planned to _____ his mother with the frog.
8. The puppy's first steps were _____ , and he quickly stumbled.
9. The teacher instructed her students to _____ into groups.
10. Compared with mice, elephants are _____ animals.

Answers

L. gigantic	O. cute
A. liberty	I. entire
N. common	R. divide
H. awkward	D. startle
S. outstanding	E. comical

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1.3 A Deadly Sting

This creature lives in the waters north of Australia. Its tentacles can grow to be 15 feet (5 meters) long, and its sting can be deadly. What is it?

To answer the question, read each sentence below. Replace each underlined word with its synonym. Choose your answers from the words after each sentence. Write the letter of each answer in the space above its sentence number at the bottom of the page. Some letters are provided.

1. The Pacific Ocean, the largest ocean on earth, is gigantic.
   S. deep O. huge T. noteworthy
2. We will divide the cards into groups.
   U. complete I. count E. separate
3. Thunderstorms are common during this time of year.
   P. famous S. powerful Y. usual
4. Judy Blume is one of the most outstanding writers of children's books.
   A. frequent I. famous E. complete
5. We ate the entire pizza ourselves.
   F. whole P. big W. tasty
6. Tripping on your untied shoelaces is an awkward moment.
   G. massive X. ungraceful T. amusing
7. The rebels fought for liberty during the war.
   E. wealth D. power J. freedom
8. The baby was cute in her Halloween costume.
   L. pretty T. silly P. smiling
9. The sudden sound of a smoke alarm will startle anyone.
   T. wake D. call H. alarm
10. The silly puppy's playful actions were comical.
    T. interesting B. amusing R. ungraceful

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10	1	6		7	2		8	3	5	4		9

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