

I Became Her Target (by William Rogers)

Study the following Vocabulary items then read the passage in your book.

Word	Meaning
pristine (adj.)	In perfect condition: completely clean, fresh, neat, etc. Example: My office is a mess, but her office is always <i>pristine</i> .
dominant (adj.)	Exercising the most power, control, or influence Example: <i>the dominant nations during the Cold War</i> .
deplore (v.)	Feel or express strong disapproval of (something). Example: <i>to deplore the present state of morality</i> .
dimensions (n.)	A measurement of the size of something in a particular direction, such as the length, width, height, or diameter Example: <i>Space-time has three dimensions of space and one of time</i> .
stereotypes (n.)	A generalization usually exaggerated or oversimplified and often offensive, that is used to describe or distinguish a group. Example: <i>The cowboy is an American stereotype</i> .
stared (v.)	To gaze fixedly and intently, especially with the eyes wide open. Example: <i>to stare a person up and down</i> .
ignorant (adj.)	Not knowing something you should know, or you need to know. Example: Rich people are ignorant to the reality of the lives of those living in poverty.
prevailing (adj.)	Existing at a particular time or in a particular place. Example: The prevailing market conditions are not favorable to small investors.
transplant (v.)	To move from one place to another. Example: Wilkins was transplanted from Harlem to Grand Rapids.
impulsively adv.	Done suddenly without thinking what the result will be. Example: He often acts impulsively and later regrets it.

Use Word List 1

A. Choose the correct answer from a, b or c:

1 Because there were few tourists on the island, the beaches were still _____ and beautiful.

a. pristine b. dirty c. ugly

2 She wants us to do whatever she likes, so she is a very _____ person.

a. amicable b. dominant c. diplomatic

3 I _____ the people who hit and kill animals for fun.

a. deplore b. appreciate c. preside

4 Your education will take on a new _____ when you begin to organize what you learn in your own way.

a. dimension b. culture c. human

5 The unhappy student _____ at the test vacantly because he had studied the wrong material.

a. transplanted b. laughed c. stared

B. Fill in blanks with a suitable word from vocabulary bank.

Vocab. Bank	Statements
	1 _____ are formed when people make generalizations about people they don't really know.
transplanted	2 Angelina _____ at her computer screen, wondering what to do next.
impulsively	3 The animal activists _____ the cruel practices used to obtain fur coats.
pristine	4 I was _____ of the terms used in business.
dominant	5 He is a very _____ figure in the industry, so everyone listens to his advice.
deplore	6 Jack washes his car daily so the exterior will always be in _____ condition.
dimensions	7 It is impossible to really know the _____ of the problem until we have spoken with all the people affected.
stereotypes	8 The bush was _____ to a different part of the garden.
stared	9 Surprisingly, tattoos have become _____ young people take pride in them.
ignorant	10 You are more likely to respond _____ and intensely in stressful situations after excess caffeine.
prevailing	