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Understanding Meanings

Read the following sentences. If the word in bold is used correctly, write C on the line. If the word is used incorrectly, write a new sentence using the word correctly.

1. To **emancipate** someone is to release that person.

2. An **obligatory** assignment is one that causes great hardship.

3. An **impetus** sets something into action.

4. To **plumb** a mystery is to understand it by thinking about it carefully.

5. A **vagabond** is a person who lacks the necessities of life.

6. To **whedle** something from someone is to obtain it by cajoling that person into giving it.

7. To **extol** someone is to show very high regard for that person.

8. An **intermittent** noise is one that keeps stopping and starting.

9. A person's **visage** is that person's feelings about herself.

10. **Destitution** is the state of having all that one could ask for.

11. To **bewail** something is to complain about it.

12. A **detractor** is someone to whom another person is attracted.

13. If something is **insuperable**, its parts cannot be separated from the whole.

14. A **maxim** is the larger of two amounts.

15. **Flamboyance** is lack of restraint in one's dress or behavior.

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