

INFORMATION SEARCH SESSION

1) Which of these words is not synonymous with TO ESCAPE?

- a) to flee b) to abscond c) to make off d) to alight

2) Which of these words is synonymous with TO EVADE?

- a) to undergo b) to dodge c) to doff d) to assault

3) The suffixes –SHIP, -DOM, -HOOD, -MENT and –AGE form **nouns** from other nouns, verbs, adjectives or adverbs (for example leadership, kingdom, likelihood, movement, wastage). Put the following words in the correct column to make nouns:

friend bore punish marry brother citizen child disillusion neighbour pilgrim free employ
member break pack improve store volt invest owner sponsor entertain

-SHIP	-DOM	-HOOD	-MENT	-AGE

4) Compound adjectives

Some adjectives are composed of two elements, for example *empty-handed* (having empty hands, i.e. not carrying or bringing anything) or *numbskulled* (stupid). Drag the elements in B to the elements in A to make compound adjectives.

A	B
absent	hearted
pig	minded
kind	headed
well	known

5) Read the lyrics to the song **From Womb to Waste** by **Dying Fetus** and read the *Intro* (the first two lines, it begins with “It’s not my fault...”).

a) When you look at the song title and the *Intro*, what do you think the song is about?

- b) Where is the band from (what country)?
- c) When was the band founded (what year)?

e) A word synonymous with *womb* is:

- a) incubator
- b) uterus
- c) kindergarten

6) The axolotl

The axolotl is:

- a) a reptile
- b) an amphibian
- c) a fish

It lives in:

- a) Brazil
- b) Mexico
- c) Central Africa

Which of these things is true of the axolotl?

- a) it has external gills
- b) it carries its young on its back
- c) it eats venomous snakes

Axolotls are neotenic animals (or they exhibit neoteny). This means that:

- a) they are scared of anything new
- b) they lay eggs in trees above water; when the larvae hatch, they fall into the water
- c) they reach sexual maturity (i.e. they are able to reproduce) in the larval stage

Useful tips:

Press Ctrl+F to open a search window. You can search keywords within any website or document (Word, Excel, PDF etc.).

Use Wikipedia where possible.