
Vaqueros

Week 23
Vocabulary



dominated

to have
strongly
controlled
something

- On a clear night, away from the lights, the sky was **dominated** by the stars.

Finish the sentences:

- If an athlete dominated a track meet, he would _____.
- If one person dominated a discussion, he or she would _____."

extending

to stretch out

- The branches of the tree were **extending** out over the power lines.
- Cowgirls wear chaps **extending**, or reaching, from the hips to her ankles for protection.

Match up to make a complete sentence:

The road crosses a bridge extending	from the floor to the ceiling.
The height of the room is extending	from one side of the river to the other.

acknowledged

- The President **acknowledged** the crowds with a quick wave.
- My teacher **acknowledged** my good behavior by giving me a high five.

to have
recognized or
accepted
something

Why is it important to **acknowledge** a mistake you made on your math homework?

"It is important to **acknowledge** a mistake because _____."

flourished

- The grizzly bears **flourished** in their habitat that included a salmon-rich river.
- Cattle were driven to towns near rail lines. These towns **flourished** and grew rich.

to do well;
prosper

Put the words in order from least to most **flourished**:

- progressed
- withered
- weakened
- thriving

residents

a person who
lives in a
particular place

- The residents of the apartment had to evacuate the building because of a fire.

How many residents live in your home?

"My home has
----- residents."

sprawling

spreading out
in different
directions

- The cowboy rides his horse over the vast and sprawling range.
- Grass and shrubs were growing across the sprawling landscape.

Which of the following could be described as sprawling?

- clothes on your floor
- the field outside
- syrup on your pancakes

hostile

- A desert is a very **hostile** place to many plants and animals.
- Despite looking cute and fluffy, the kitten was **hostile** to anything that moved.

not
friendly

Some people feel **hostile** when they are tired or haven't eaten. When do you feel most **hostile**?

"I feel **hostile** when _____ because_____."

prospered

to be
fortunate or
successful;
thrive

- The busy restaurant **prospered** because of it's delicious food.
- The athlete **prospered** in track after he got a new pair of sneakers.

Match up the person with the reason that they

prospered:

- farmer
- baseball player
- musician
- good reviews
- sun and rain
- batting practice

acquainted

- Cowboys get to know one another on cattle drives. They become well acquainted.

familiar or informed

How could you get acquainted with a new classmate:

"Two ways I could get acquainted with a new classmate would be to _____ and _____."

decline

the process or
result of going
down in number
or quality

- Calvin's test scores started to **decline** when he didn't do his homework
- Because there has been a **decline** in cattle drivers, there are fewer cowboys today.

Would you like to see these things **decline**?

- your grades
- crime rates
- amount of homework you get