

The Bridge Dancers Vocabulary

A. Match the definitions:

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| 1. Gorge | a. as if in chains |
| 2. Enchained | b. A warm, moist preparation placed on the body to sooth |
| 3. Pitches | c. soothing |
| 4. Herb medicines | d. small twigs used to start a fire |
| 5. Poultice | e. to whip |
| 6. Lulling | f. a deep, narrow valley |
| 7. Kindling | g. to fall or stumble |
| 8. Strain | h. plants used to treat diseases or injuries |
| 9. Thrash | i. to pass something through a filter |

Word Pair Activity

1. We walked carefully along the mountain path so as not to fall. (gorge/dip)
2. We were allowed to do whatever we wanted to do. (enchained/free)
3. Alice fell down the rabbit hole. (pitches/climb)
4. The teacher took some aspirin for his headache. (herb medicine/pharmaceuticals)
5. The nurse made a paste to apply to the spider bite. (poultice/bandage)
6. The mother sang softly to the child until she fell asleep. (lulling/rousing)
7. The camper used a big piece of wood to start the fire. (kindling/logs)
8. The students separated the gravel from the water by pouring everything through a cloth,
(strain/evaporate)
9. The branches beat on the roof during a storm. (thrash/caress)

True or False

1. If you fall into a **gorge**, you'll only get a little scratch. True or false?
2. If you are **enchained**, you are not free. True or false?
3. If you **pitch**, you'll fly in the air. True or false?
4. You'll find **herb medicines** in a forest. True or false?
5. You make a **poultice** with dried plants and water. True or false?
6. Loud, blasting heavy metal music will **lull** a baby to sleep. True or false?
7. The camper used **kindling** to start a campfire. True or false?
8. The cook used a table to **strain** the vegetables. True or false?
9. A strong storm can cause the branches of a tree to **thrash** against the roof of a house.

True or false?

Complete the Sentences
(You may need to change the verb tense.)

1. The girl _____ the herbs through the cloth.
2. The prisoners were _____ to keep them from escaping.
3. The naughty students were fooling around on the mountain path and fell into the _____ and were never seen again.
4. The teacher's voice was so soothing that she was always _____ the students to sleep.
5. The ladder _____ and the worker fell.
6. The rural doctor applied a _____ to the wound.
7. We kept some _____ next to the fireplace to help start the fire.
8. I like to use _____ as opposed to getting medication from the pharmacy.
9. The fish was _____ on the deck of the boat.

Example/Non-Example
(Circle the example.)

Gorge

Roger fell off the mountain.

Roger fell off the curb.

Enchained

Janet could walk around freely.

Janet couldn't walk around
freely.

Pitches

The ladder teetered from side to
side.

The ladder did not teeter from
side to side.

Herb Medicines

The grandmother took some
aspirin for her headache.

The grandmother took some
chamomile tea for her headache.

Poultice

The nurse put the warm paste on
the spider bite.

The nurse put a bandage on the
spider bite.

Lulling

The chirping birds woke me up.

The chirping birds put me to
sleep.

Kindling

She started the fire with twigs.

She started the fire with gasoline.

Strain

The girl separated rice from the
water.

The girl mixed the rice and
water.

The Bridge Dancers

Name: _____

Thrash

The storm caused branches of the tree to fall off.

The storm caused the branches of the tree to hit the house.

The Bridge Dancers Vocabulary Test
(Circle the correct definition.)

- Gorge
 - A mountain
 - A ridge
 - A deep, narrow valley
- Pitches
 - To sew
 - To fall or stumble
 - To repair
- Poultice
 - A moist preparation
 - Chicken soup
 - A tight bandage
- Kindling
 - Logs
 - Bushes
 - Small twigs
- Thrash
 - To whip
 - To rub
 - To toss
- Enchained
 - Being in chains
 - Freeing yourself from chains
 - Wearing jewelry
- Herb medicine
 - Medicine made by a man named Herb
 - Medicine made by wizards
 - Medicine made by plants
- Lulling
 - Texting LOL
 - Soothing
 - Exciting
- Strain
 - To toss
 - To blend
 - To pass through a filter