

Vocabulary Lesson 21

Name: _____ #: _____

Write the definition then use the word in a sentence of your own.

1. **plea**

definition: _____

sentence: _____

2. **weary**

definition: _____

sentence: _____

3. **collide**

definition: _____

sentence: _____

4. **confirm**

definition: _____

sentence: _____

5. **verify**

definition: _____

sentence: _____

6. **anticipate**

definition: _____

sentence: _____

7. **dilemma**

definition: _____

sentence: _____

8. **detour**

definition: _____

sentence: _____

9. **merit**

definition: _____

sentence: _____

10. **transmit**

definition: _____

sentence: _____

11. **relieve**

definition: _____

sentence: _____

12. **baffle**

definition: _____

sentence: _____

Now draw a picture that represents one of your vocabulary words: WORD: _____

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1. plea –request; appeal; that which is asked of another
2. weary –tired
3. collide –come together with force
4. confirm –prove to be true or correct; make certain
5. verify –prove to be true; confirm
6. anticipate –look forward to; expect
7. dilemma –situation requiring a choice between two evils; a difficult choice
8. detour –a roundabout way
9. merit –goodness; worth; value
10. transmit –send over; pass on; pass along; let through
11. relieve –make less; make easier; reduce the pain of; replace; release; free
12. baffle –be too hard to understand or solve

Words in Use

Read the following passage to see how the new words are used in it.

Safety in the Air

The most persistent* **plea** of **weary** pilots has always been for a machine that would warn them that they were about to **collide** with an oncoming airplane. Studies of landing patterns **confirm** that the number of collisions is increasing each year, and pilots **verify** hundreds of reports of near misses. Recently a system that would electronically **anticipate** oncoming airplanes was devised,* and

the pilot's **dilemma** to dive or to climb, to **detour** to left or right, may be solved. The system has **merit**, though, only if every plane is equipped to **transmit** and receive a signal to and from an oncoming plane. But most aviation experts feel that only a system that watches every airplane in the sky will **relieve** a problem that tends to **baffle** every one who attempts to find a solution.