

Vocabulary Lesson 23

Name: _____ #: _____

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

1. **reptile**

definition: _____

sentence: _____

2. **rarely**

definition: _____

sentence: _____

3. **forbid**

definition: _____

sentence: _____

4. **logical**

definition: _____

sentence: _____

5. **exhibit**

definition: _____

sentence: _____

6. **proceed**

definition: _____

sentence: _____

7. **precaution**

definition: _____

sentence: _____

8. **extract**

definition: _____

sentence: _____

9. **prior**

definition: _____

sentence: _____

10. **embrace**

definition: _____

sentence: _____

11. **valiant**

definition: _____

sentence: _____

12. **partial**

definition: _____

sentence: _____

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

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1. reptile –a cold blooded animal that creeps or crawls; snakes, lizards, turtles, alligators, and crocodiles
2. rarely –seldom; not often
3. forbid –order someone not to do something; make a rule against
4. logical –reasonable; reasonably expected
5. exhibit –display; show
6. proceed –go on after having stopped; move forward
7. precaution –measures taken beforehand; foresight
8. extract –pull out or draw out, usually with some effort
9. prior –coming before; earlier
10. embrace –hug one another; a hug
11. valiant –brave courageous
12. partial –not complete; not total

Words in Use

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

Handling Poisonous Snakes

How do the Indian snake charmers handle those live poisonous **reptiles** without being poisoned? Visitors to the Hopi Indians **rarely** leave the reservation without asking. Because Indians **forbid** any white person from taking part in such a ceremony, scientists could come to one **logical** answer: before the Indians **exhibit** the snakes, they **proceed** to remove the fangs. Yet some

scientists **verify*** the fact that all the snakes have fangs. They have a different theory.* The Indians take an important **precaution**: they **extract** most of the poison **prior** to the snake dance. Now the Indian can **embrace** the snake without being poisoned. He will appear **valiant** because he knows that the snake has only a **partial** supply of its deadly poison.

