

## Words in Context Mastery Quiz

Directions: Complete question #1-5 by selecting the best answer choice.

1. Evapotranspiration (ET) occurs when water vapor is released into the atmosphere from the leaves of a plant, such as corn. When corn growth is at its height, usually between July and August, as many as 4,000 gallons of water vapor can be released, \_\_\_\_\_ high humidity sometimes called “corn sweat.”

Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?

- A) agitating
- B) fabricating
- C) generating
- D) expelling

2. Apsáalooke (Crow) artist Wendy Red Star uses her art to comment on and navigate her experiences growing up on a Crow Indian Reservation. Her works often \_\_\_\_\_ traditional Apsáalooke imagery, particularly clothing, with cheap, mass-produced costumes, inflatable animals, and various kinds of Americana. In depicting these images together, Red Star satirizes stereotypical tropes about Native people.

Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?

- A) compare
- B) juxtapose
- C) convey
- D) display

3. Doménikos Theotokópoulos, known as El Greco, was a Greek artist in the 16th and early 17th centuries. His paintings are unique among all Renaissance painters for their use of light, shadow, and color. His expressionistic style, dramatic perspective, and use of sharp, bright colors and intense contrasts seem to directly \_\_\_\_\_ movements like Cubism and Expressionism, even though these seemingly related artistic movements came about centuries later.

Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word?

- A) recall
- B) deride
- C) contrast
- D) prefigure

4. To the Lakota and many other Plains tribes, the white buffalo is sacred. In the story of the White Buffalo Calf Woman, a woman appeared in a time of starvation to teach the Lakota the Seven Sacred Rites and give them the *čhaŋnúŋpa*, or ceremonial pipe. She promised that if the people followed her instructions they would survive, and that she would one day return to restore harmony and balance back to the world. Then, she turned into a white buffalo calf and disappeared. Although white buffalo are rare—fewer than one in 10 million bison are white—the birth of a white buffalo calf is a \_\_\_\_\_ of hope and good times to come.

Which choice completes the text with the most logical and precise word or phrase?

- A) *devoir*
  - B) *caveat*
  - C) *prodigy*
  - D) *harbinger*
5. The following text is from George Eliot’s 1871 novel *Middlemarch*.

Mr. Vincy himself had expensive *Middlemarch* habits... there was always a little storm over his extravagance if he had to disclose a debt, and Fred disliked bad weather within doors. He was too filial to be disrespectful to his father, and he bore the thunder with the certainty that it was transient; but in the mean time it was disagreeable to see his mother cry, and also to be obliged to look sulky instead of having fun; for Fred was so goodtempered that if he looked glum under scolding, it was chiefly for propriety’s sake.

As used in the text, what does the word “filial” most nearly mean?

- A) passive
- B) friendly
- C) dutiful
- D) affable

