

Selection Vocabulary

Focus

foreign (for' • ən) *adj.* of or from another country (page 67)

assure (ash • ūr') *v.* to make certain or sure (page 68)

pastel (pas • tel') *adj.* a pale, soft shade of a color (page 70)

glim (glim) *adj.* very unhappy or disappointed (page 71)

enthusiastic

(en • thuō' • zē • ast' • ik) *adj.* very excited about something (page 73)

peculiar (pi • kŭl' • yər) *adj.* not usual; strange (page 74)

translation (tranz • lā' • shən) *n.* a changing of a speech or piece of writing into another language (page 76)

insisted (in • sist' • əd) *v.* past tense of **insist**: demand or say in a strong, firm manner (page 76)

Practice

Tell whether the boldfaced definition for the underlined word makes sense. Circle Yes or No.

1. Tano read a translation of *The Little Prince*.

a piece of writing changed into another language Yes No

2. I felt glim when the picnic was rained out.

very unhappy Yes No

3. The baby insisted she was hungry by crying loudly.

to make sure Yes No

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Apply
Circle the correct word that completes each sentence.

4. I just got a _____ of a letter from my Italian pen pal.
a. pastel b. translation c. foreign
5. Mia _____ that I should visit her in Italy.
a. insisted b. assured c. glum
6. She will feel _____ if I can't come see her.
a. glum b. enthusiastic c. assure
7. Her family would be excited to have a _____ visitor.
a. pastel b. glum c. foreign
8. She _____ me that I would like *confetti*.
a. translation b. assured c. enthusiastic
9. *Confetti* is nut colored with a _____ coating.
a. translation b. enthusiastic c. pastel
10. The name *confetti* seems _____ to me.
a. peculiar b. glum c. translation
11. Her town is known for this treat, so she is _____.
a. foreign b. translation c. enthusiastic