

Directions: Choose the correct word from the bank to complete the sentence.

clandestine	contingency	egocentric	exonerate	incongruous
indigenous	liability	prolific	reinstate	superfluous

For many years I didn't realize that my family was larger than normal. That's because enormous families somehow seemed (1) _____ to our neighborhood. I don't know what made people on our block so (2) _____, but the Harrisons, on one side of us, had nine kids; and the Montoyas, on the other side, had twelve. When Mom said she was going to have her eleventh child, the ten of us wondered if another baby wasn't (3) _____: one more than necessary. Still, I think we enjoyed one another as much as any family I know. Naturally, we had our battles, but though they were sometimes incense, they never lasted long, and it didn't take much to (4) _____ yourself in a brother's or a sister's good graces. If nothing else worked, you could always (5) yourself by blaming whatever had happened on another sibling who wasn't home at the moment. Also, we learned to cooperate. When you have to get along with so many different people, you learn not to be (6) _____. A self0centered person wouldn't have lasted ten minutes in my home.

Of course, there were times when the size of our family was a (7) _____. With all those people around, any kind of (8) _____ activity was just about impossible –there was simply no place to hide and no way to keep a secret. Out numbers could be a disadvantage to others, as well. Once, a new neighbor, not realizing how many of us there were, offered to take us all for ice cream. With amusement, he watched the (9) _____ sight of nine children and one toddler trying to squeeze into an ordinary passenger car. Although he obviously hadn't been prepared for such a(n) (10) _____, it didn't squelch his plans. He just grinner and said, "Okay, we'll go in shifts."

Directions: Write a synonym and an antonym on the line for the vocabulary word.

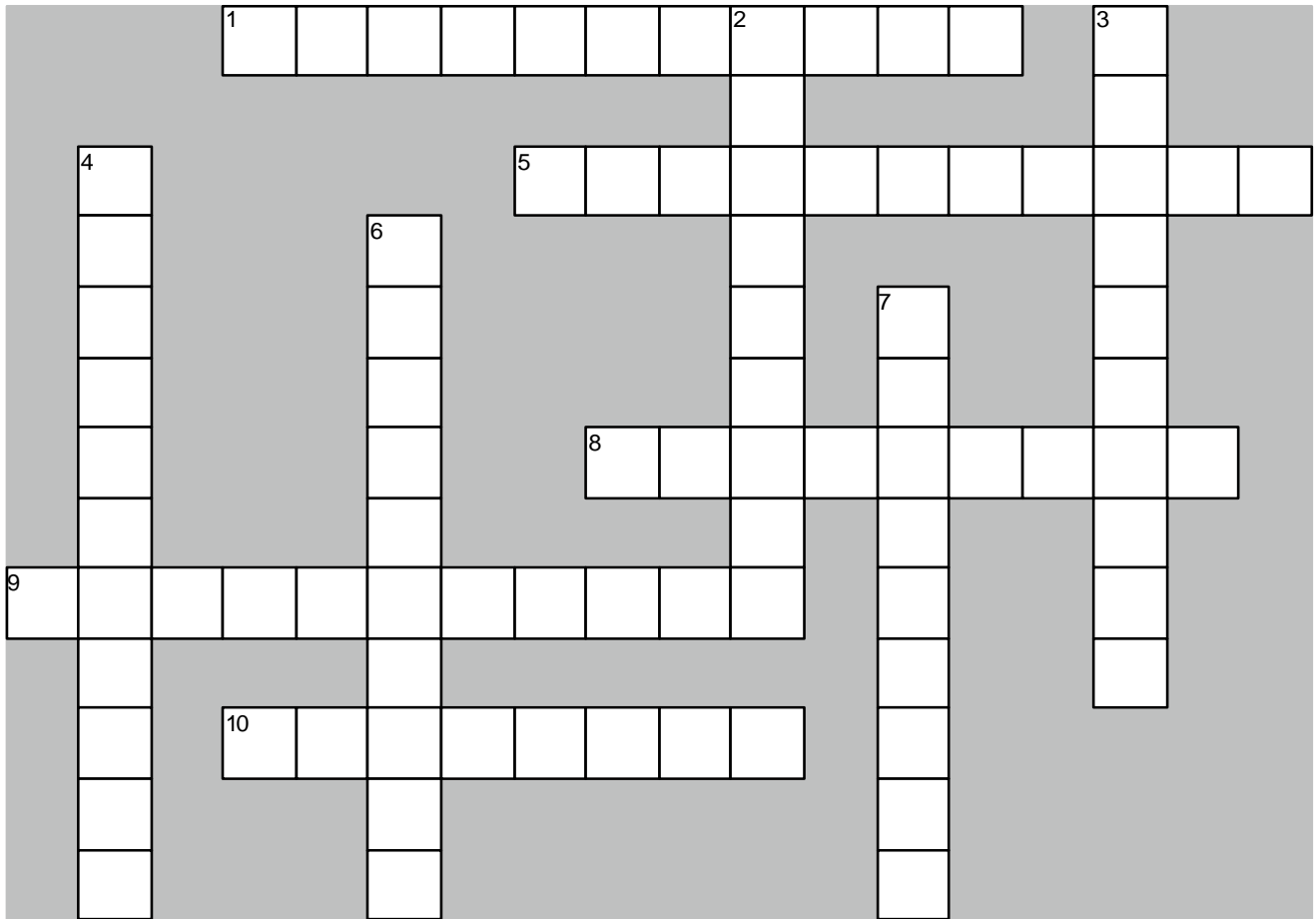
Synonym

Antonym

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| 1. clandestine | _____ | _____ |
| 2. contingency | _____ | _____ |
| 3. egocentric | _____ | _____ |
| 4. exonerate | _____ | _____ |
| 5. incongruous | _____ | _____ |
| 6. indigenous | _____ | _____ |
| 7. liability | _____ | _____ |
| 8. prolific | _____ | _____ |
| 9. reinstate | _____ | _____ |
| 10. superfluous | _____ | _____ |

Directions: On a separate sheet of paper, use each vocabulary word in a sentence with at least 8 words in it.

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ACROSS

DOWN

- 1** a possible future event that must be prepared for or guarded against; possibility
- 5** out of place; having parts that are not in harmony or that are inconsistent
- 8** something that acts as a disadvantage; a drawback
- 9** done in secret; kept hidden
- 10** producing many works, results, or offspring; fertile

- 2** to clear of an accusation or change; prove innocent
- 3** self-centered; seeing everything in terms of oneself
- 4** beyond what is needed, wanted, or useful; extra
- 6** living, growing, or produced naturally in a particular place; native
- 7** to restore to a previous position or condition; bring back into being or use