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Review Words
1. Write the base (root) word for each of the following words:

whistling ______ whistle ______

earliest ______ early ______

wrestling ______ wrestle ______

colonies ______ colony ______

2. Which list words follow Rule 24? colonies ___________ colonial ___________

and ___________

3. There is one Rule 12 word. What is it? reign ___________

4. Do you write a letter using “stationary” or “stationery”? stationery ___________

5. Be sure to cover your nose and mouth when you sneeze ___________

6. Alphabetize the following:

ninety 1. meant ___________

wholesome 2. medicine ___________

stationery 3. ninety ___________

medicine 4. stationary ___________

meant 5. stationery ___________

succeed 6. succeed ___________

tough 7. television ___________

stationary 8. tough ___________

television 9. wholesome ___________

wreath 10. wreath ___________

7. Explain in a sentence why “succeed” is NOT a Rule 29 word.

The first “c” says its 1st sound and the second “c” says its 2nd sound. (c^2)

8. Mark the following words:

slipped ___________

whistling ______ worrisome ___________

distinctive ___________

stomach ___________
Dictionary Detective!
Chapters 1 - 2

worsted - a fine smooth yarn spun from combed long-stapled wool.

Using a dictionary, find the definitions for the words below.

trifle Ch. 1
Definition: a small amount of something

agreeable Ch. 1
Definition: pleasant, willing to agree to something

solemnly Ch. 1
Definition: in a serious manner, with deep sincerity

perspiration Ch. 2
Definition: sweat

belittling Ch. 2
Definition: dismissive of the importance of a person or thing

uneasy Ch. 2
Definition: causing or feeling anxiety; troubled or uncomfortable
Vocabulary Study - Answer Key  
Chapters 1 - 2

Match Up
*Match the words in the left column to their definitions in the right column.*

- trifle
- agreeable
- solemnly
- perspiration
- belittling
- uneasy

- sweat
- to do something in a serious manner
- trivialized or dismissed someone/thing
- to one’s liking
- to feel worried or disturbed
- a small amount; a little

Fill in the Blanks
*Complete each sentence by filling in the blanks with the provided vocabulary.*

agreeable belittling perspiration solemnly trifle uneasy

1. Lin **solemnly** placed her favorite dress in the trash after spilling paint on it.

2. Stop **belittling** me! I can ride a bike as well as you can!” Sara exclaimed.

3. “This park is such an **agreeable** place to spend a Sunday. It is so beautiful!”

4. It was so hot that **perspiration** began to soak through his shirt.

5. Even though Leo forgave his sister for breaking his toy, he was still a **trifle** angry with her.

6. The cat felt **uneasy** when she saw the dog walking towards her.

A Little Extra!
In your opinion, what is the most interesting word from the first two chapters? Why do you think it is interesting?

*Answers will vary.*
Understanding the Story - Answer Key
Chapters 1 - 2

Multiple Choice

1. How does George feel when his fishhook idea does not work?
   (a) Confused.  
   (b) Annoyed.  
   (c) Happy.  
   (d) Tired.

2. How does Mr. Little feel about the mousehole?
   (a) Curious.  
   (b) Horrified.  
   (c) Worried.  
   (d) Relaxed.

Short Answer

3. The main character of the book *Stuart Little* is a mouse named Stuart. What do we learn about Stuart in Chapters 1 and 2?

Example - *In Chapters 1 and 2, we learn that Stuart is part of the Little family, but looks like a mouse. We also learn that Stuart lives in New York City, has two parents and an older brother named George.*

Long Answer

4. Mrs. Little thinks Stuart is very brave for going down the drain to get her ring. Have you ever done something brave for someone else? Describe your experience below.

*Answers will vary.*

A Little Extra!

Stuart and his family live in New York City, U.S.A. New York's nickname is the Big Apple. Why do you think it is called this? Write your guess below and then share it with your classmates!

*Answers will vary.*