

# Test 12



**Be smart! If you read something and it doesn't make sense, read it again. Look for clues in the sentence to help you.**

**Directions:** Read the sentence. Now study it carefully to figure out the meaning of the word or words in italics. Then write what the word or words mean.

1. Monday. Poor me! Here I sit in the *bog*. It's wet here, and the soil is so poor that I can't get enough minerals from it.

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2. Tuesday. Boy, I sure could use a juicy bug for a meal today. I'm a *carnivorous plant* so that's the way I get extra nutrients.

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3. Wednesday. Well, nothing is happening so I might as well check out my special *hinged* leaves that can open and shut. They are two blade-like halves joined at one side to form a trap. Looking good!

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4. Thursday. Man, I am starved. I'll just *exude* some sweet-smelling fluids onto my leaves. The fluids will ooze out all over the leaves. Some bug is sure to find that tempting!

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5. Friday. Gottcha! A little bug just landed on my leaf trap, and I snapped it shut around the tasty *prey*. This insect is now my food and cannot escape.

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**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Answers

1. wet, spongy ground
2. meat-eating plant
3. flexible; jointed
4. to ooze out
5. food caught by a predator