

Test 10

Directions: Read the story. Use context clues to figure out the possible meanings of the words in bold. Then write them next to their meanings below.

Last month we took a trip to Southern California for my cousin's wedding. By the scowl on my face when Mom told us we were going, she knew I was less than thrilled. So the next **declaration** out of her mouth was that, besides going to the wedding (**drudge**, **drudge**), we would also be going to the Wild Animal Park AND the water park. OK! I decided I could sit through the wedding and even be **hospitable** for a few hours.

During the ceremony I was **catatonic**, but the reception wasn't too bad. There were **copious** amounts of food and their choice of music was **palatable**. It was over in a flash and the next day we were on to better things.

The Wild Animal Park was awesome. No cages or enclosures—just **open range** for giraffes, zebras, and other creatures to roam. The **docent** said as long as we adhered to the rules, everyone (us and the animals) would be safe.

The next day we **donned** our swimsuits for a day at the water park. Mom was a **trifle** tired, so she just **reclined** under a shady tree and read a book. The rest of us did the slides, the tubes, the wave machine...stopped for a snack...then did it all again.

That night I wrote a thank-you note to my cousin Irene for the great time we had (at her wedding, of course).

1. hard, tedious work: _____
2. tour guide: _____
3. abundant; plentiful: _____
4. a small amount; a bit: _____
5. leaned or lay back to rest: _____
6. put on or dressed in: _____
7. open area of land for grazing: _____
8. statement; announcement: _____
9. a frowning facial expression: _____
10. friendly, sociable toward guests: _____
11. pleasant or acceptable to the taste or mind: _____
12. unmoving; seemingly without thought or action: _____



Name: _____

Date: _____

Answers

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| 1. drudge | 7. range |
| 2. docent | 8. declaration |
| 3. copious | 9. scowl |
| 4. trifle | 10. hospitable |
| 5. reclined | 11. palatable |
| 6. donned | 12. catatonic |