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Vocabulary:

"Should Alicia Give Up *Fortnite*?"

- 1. addictive (uh-DIK-tiv)** *adjective*; To be addicted to something is to feel like you need to have it or do it all the time—to feel like you can't give it up even if you want to.

Addictive is used to describe something that people can easily become addicted to. For example, cigarettes are addictive. People also use *addictive* in a more casual way to describe something that is so enjoyable that you want more and more of it, as in, "I watched five episodes of *Stranger Things* last night. That show is addictive."

- 2. beneficial (ben-uh-FISH-uhl)** *adjective*; Something beneficial is useful or helpful—it benefits you in some way. Getting plenty of sleep is beneficial to your health. If you are always running late in the morning, you might find it beneficial to choose your clothes the night before.

- 3. compromise (KOM-pruh-mayhz)** *verb*; As it is used in the article, *compromise* means "to weaken, damage, or impair." You compromise your safety if you don't wear your seat belt.

Compromise can also mean "to come to an agreement by having everyone give up a little bit of what they want." Imagine twins Janet and Jared are having a joint birthday party. Janet wants to serve pizza and chocolate cake; Jared wants to serve burgers and lemon cupcakes. The twins might compromise by serving pizza and lemon cupcakes.

- 4. excessive (ek-SES-iv)** *adjective*; Something that is excessive goes beyond what is necessary, normal, or desirable. If you eat an excessive amount of candy, you might get a stomachache. A football player might get a penalty for unsportsmanlike conduct if his end-zone celebration is excessive.

- 5. graphic (GRAF-ik)** *adjective*; As it is used in the article, *graphic* means "overly clear, realistic, or detailed in a visual way." If a movie has graphic violence, the violence looks very real—to the point that it is horrifying or shocking.

- 6. groggy (GROG-ee)** *adjective*; If you feel groggy, you feel dazed, weak, or unsteady, usually because you haven't gotten enough sleep. Illness and certain medications can also make people feel groggy.

- 7. vibrant (VAHY-bruhnt)** *adjective*; Something that is vibrant is lively and energetic. Someone with a vibrant personality is full of enthusiasm. Vibrant colors are bright and striking.

Directions: On this page, list any other words from the debate whose definitions you are not sure about. For each word, use context clues to try to figure out the meaning. Then look up the word in a few different dictionaries. Discuss the primary meaning of the word with your teacher or another adult. Then write a definition for the word and one example sentence using the word.

Vocabulary Practice

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Directions: Choose the word that is most similar in meaning to each word in bold.

1. beneficial

- Ⓐ helpful Ⓑ harmful

2. addictive

- Ⓐ uninteresting Ⓑ irresistible

3. excessive

- Ⓐ unnecessary Ⓑ necessary

4. graphic

- Ⓐ unclear Ⓑ detailed

Directions: For each question below, fill in the circle next to the best answer. Briefly explain your choice.

5. Which would be beneficial to the environment?

- Ⓐ an increase in the number of cars on the road
Ⓑ more people riding bikes or walking instead of driving

Reason: _____

6. Which umbrella is more vibrant?

- Ⓐ a red one covered in tropical orange flowers
Ⓑ a black one covered in gray raindrops

Reason: _____

Directions: Briefly respond to each prompt below.

7. What is something that might compromise Luke's trust in Max?

8. If your soccer team is playing in the championship game tomorrow, will you play well if you wake up feeling groggy? Explain.

9. Calvin says his puppy's energy level is excessive. Describe how Calvin's puppy behaves.

