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Esperanza Rising Vocabulary

Chapters 4–6

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- a. lightly touched by something
- b. surrounded or covered completely
- c. slowly falling apart



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- a. The house was brightly lit and colorful.
 - b. The house was completely hidden by smoke.
 - c. The house looked small and far away.
 - d. The house appeared as a dark outline against a bright background.
3. Based on the meaning of the word **deliberate**, how were the vines planted?

"The flames ran along the deliberate rows of the vines, like long curved fingers reaching for the horizon, lighting the night sky."

- a. carelessly and without a plan
- b. quickly and in a hurry
- c. carefully and intentionally
- d. randomly and unevenly

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- a. a student solving a math problem on the board
- b. a teacher writing a to-do list
- c. two friends writing letters back and forth to each other
- d. a mother writing important events on a calendar

5. Fill in the blank:

After her neighbor helped her fix the broken fence, Maria felt _____ and promised to return the favor someday.



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the landscape?

"For hours, Esperanza watched the undulating land pass in front of her."

- a. It had many smooth hills and seemed to move up and down.
- b. It is flat and covered with many trees.
- c. It was covered in buildings.
- d. It was dry and barren.

8. Which is the best example of **monotonous**?

- a. a rollercoaster ride with a lot of twists and turns
- b. a song that repeats the same line over and over
- c. a surprise birthday party with games and cake
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"Soon, Mama was confiding in Carmen, telling her all that had happened with Papa and Tío Luis."

- a. arguing loudly with someone
- b. giving instructions to someone
- c. ignoring someone completely
- d. sharing personal thoughts or secrets with someone



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the land was dry and the panorama was barren except for adobe palms, cactus, and an occasional squirrel or roadrunner."

- a. a wide, overall view of the landscape
- b. a type of animal in the desert
- c. a small, hidden area of land
- d. a tool used for farming

12. Which is the best example of **stagnant**?

- a. a river flowing quickly after heavy rain
- b. a pond with still water that hasn't moved for days
- c. a bird flying across the sky
- d. a busy city street full of traffic



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