

# Pretest and Post-test

## Questions for Whole-Group Oral Testing

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Class \_\_\_\_\_

Pretest \_\_\_\_ Post-test \_\_\_\_

*Please administer this test orally. Have students answer by holding up either one or two fingers, or writing the number 1 or the number 2 on a whiteboard. Then indicate whether most, some, few, or none of the students answered the question correctly, by circling the appropriate answer.*

1. Jason couldn't see the sun one cloudy morning. What does this mean?
  - 1) The sun was shrouded by clouds  
Most                      Some                      Few                      None
  - 2) The sun was permeated by clouds
2. After three weeks without rain, the soil in our garden became hard and dry. How would you describe the soil?
  - 1) It was parched  
Most                      Some                      Few                      None
  - 2) It was diverse
3. The band played softly at first but then got louder and louder. What happened to the sound?
  - 1) It grew in composition  
Most                      Some                      Few                      None
  - 2) It grew in intensity
4. Farmers in our state grow and sell corn in order to feed their families. What role does farming play for them?
  - 1) It is their means of subsistence  
Most                      Some                      Few                      None
  - 2) It is their means of adaptation
5. A rock concert was held in New York City. What does this mean?
  - 1) New York was the venue  
Most                      Some                      Few                      None
  - 2) New York was the narrative
6. Most hurricanes begin off the Atlantic coast of Africa. What does this location signify?
  - 1) The place the hurricanes originate  
Most                      Some                      Few                      None
  - 2) The place the hurricanes congregate
7. If a man wants to live all alone, which kind of place would he choose?
  - 1) An interactive place  
Most                      Some                      Few                      None
  - 2) An isolated place
8. Roberta is a good piano player, and she's great at soccer. How would you describe her?
  - 1) She's a versatile person  
Most                      Some                      Few                      None
  - 2) She's a vigilant person
9. Our dog feels snug and safe inside her doghouse. What does her doghouse serve as?
  - 1) Her suspension  
Most                      Some                      Few                      None
  - 2) Her sanctuary
10. "How bright the moon is tonight!" Alyssa said. What is another way to say this?
  - 1) The moon is luminous tonight  
Most                      Some                      Few                      None
  - 2) The moon is spontaneous tonight

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## Answers

1. Jason couldn't see the sun one cloudy morning. What does this mean?  
(The sun was shrouded by clouds.)
2. After three weeks without rain, the soil in our garden became hard and dry. How would you describe the soil? (It was parched.)
3. The band played softly at first but then got louder and louder. What happened to the sound? (It grew in intensity.)
4. Farmers in our state grow and sell corn in order to feed their families. What role does farming play for them? (It is their means of subsistence.)
5. A rock concert was held in New York City. What does this mean? (New York was the venue.)
6. Most hurricanes begin off the Atlantic coast of Africa. What does this location signify?  
(The place the hurricanes originate.)
7. If a man wants to live all alone, which kind of place will he choose? (an isolated place)
8. Roberta is a good piano player, and she's great at soccer. How would you describe her?  
(She's a versatile person)
9. Our dog feels snug and safe inside her doghouse. What does her doghouse serve as?  
(her sanctuary)
10. "How bright the moon is tonight!" Alyssa said. What is another way to say this?  
(The moon is luminous tonight.)