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The Gift of the Magi Vocabulary worksheet #1

Prosperous: (adjective) successful and wealthy

Vanish: (verb) disappear

Ecstatic: (adjective) extremely happy

Predominant: (adjective) most common or main or dominating thing

Inconsequential: (adjective) unimportant

Generous: (adjective) giving

Mammoth: (adjective) huge, very large

Gradually: (adverb) changing slowly step by step

Instigate: (verb) to urge on or stir up

Depreciate: (verb) to reduce in value

Imputation: (noun) the act of imputing; insinuation; accused of or attributed to something

Parsimony: (noun) the quality of being careful with money or resources; thrift; stinginess

Truant: (noun) someone who avoids doing his or her duty; someone who is skipping school without permission

Fill in the blanks with the correct word.

1. Bill was so _____ that he gave the jacket he was wearing to an old homeless man.
2. According to my parents, listening to music is an _____ pursuit because music is unimportant and will get me nowhere.
3. Since I began working at this new law firm, I am no longer poor. I have become extremely _____ because they pay me \$200 an hour.
4. Falling in love takes time. You should take things one day at a time as you _____ get to know the person instead of rushing things.
5. If you are _____ about something you'll probably have a huge smile on your face.
6. Out of thirty students in this class, twenty-five wear Air Jordans, which means that Jordans are the _____ shoe worn by my students.
7. I always tell students not to stand around and _____ violence when two other students are arguing because their urgings just make things worse.
8. When I made a big mistake in my presentation in front of the class, I wish I could _____ into thin air.
9. Clipping coupons and reusing the same sheet of tinfoil over and over are two examples of my grandmother's growing _____.
10. Yesterday, a _____ blizzard covered the town with two feet snow.
11. As soon as you drive a car off the lot it _____ in value so drastically that if you take it back the next very next day, you won't even get back 80% of what you paid for it.
12. Jeremy, who is playing video games at home when he should be in math class, is a _____.
13. Sarah glared at me, her eyes filled with the _____ that I had cheated her of her rightful place on the dance team.