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Learning Activities

I. A quick look at the contents--find the answers.

1. President Trump nominated Brett Kavanaugh to fill the seat of Supreme Court _____. (p. 1)
2. This is called the "mid-term" election since it is _____. (p. 1)
3. Retired counselor Gerard Perez is still willing to pass on his _____ to students in his free time. (p. 1)
4. What is called the Mendocino Complex fire became the _____ fire in California history. (p. 2)
5. It is recommended that people have supplies to last for _____ after a major disaster. (p. 4)
6. The man who wrote 'God Bless America' was an _____. His name was _____. (p. 4)
7. In addition to Alaska, there were Russian _____ in Canada, California and Hawaii. (p. 4)
8. The Bittersweet Harvest exhibit educated people about the _____ program. (p. 5)
9. _____ is one of the states with the highest farmworker population. (p. 5)
10. About 85% of fruits and vegetables are _____ by _____. (p. 5)
11. Cricket is a _____ game played between two _____ of eleven players. (p. 7)
12. Donna Lawson went to New York City to sing in a concert at _____. (p. 7)

II. Vocabulary quiz: Match the definitions to the two, three & four-word phrases on the left.

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| ___ 1. All members of the House are up for election... | a. original or creative |
| ___ 2. ...at wages that were looked down on ... | b. have a great deal of respect for |
| ___ 3. Students look up to him ... | c. being considered for |
| ___ 4. The film format is very out of the box . | d. regarded with a feeling of superiority |

III. More careful reading--find these answers:

A. From "President Trump nominates Brett Kavanaugh to be on the Supreme Court" (pages 1 & 4)

1. The next step is for the U.S. Senate to hold _____ and then vote to _____ or _____ the nomination.
2. The present court is divided between _____ and _____.

B. From "Election day is in November" (pages 1 & 4)

1. One third of U.S. Senators are also _____ election. They serve for _____ year terms.
2. *When We All Vote* is a new, _____, not-for-profit organization. Name one co-chair: _____.

C. From "What was the Bracero Program?" and "Who are farmworkers?" (page 5)

1. The Bracero Program started in _____ and ended in _____.
2. Of the farmworkers in the United States, 80% were born in _____.

D. From "Advice for students" (page 6)

1. Time _____ is one of the most important steps to being a successful student.
2. Lastly, Perez tells students to _____. Connect with other _____.

IV. Writing suggestions: The deadline for the October issue is Sept. 14. Do you have a "Fortunately/unfortunately" story? Tell us about any experiences you had with a natural disaster. Who is your hero or heroine? Are you a farmworker? Are any of your family members farmworkers? Also send stories about Halloween, Days of the Dead, your job, your pet, favorite sports, films, books, etc.

Crossword puzzle answers in alphabetical order:

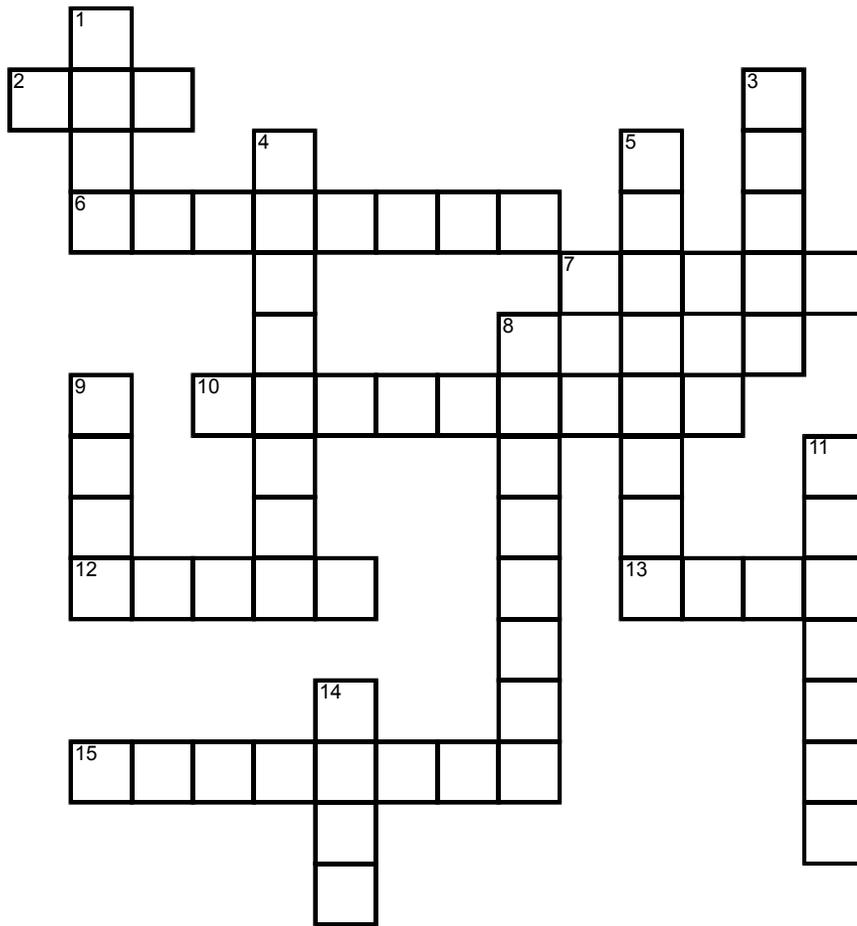
deadline, delight, deny, eager, evil, faithful, fur, grateful, guys, memorable, plot,
ripen, struggle, subjects, trash

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and a vocabulary matching exercise.

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Crossword Puzzle - August/September 2018

All words are from VOCABULARY HELP.



Across

- 2 Animals have _____. It is fine soft hair.
- 6 A _____ is a determined effort under difficulties.
- 7 When you want to do something very much, you are _____.
- 10 A _____ vacation is worth remembering.
- 12 Discarded things that can't be recycled have to go into the _____.
- 13 A word for badness, misfortune or hardship is _____.
- 15 She is _____ for the help. She appreciates the kindness.

Down

- 1 An informal word for men is _____.
- 3 They are waiting for the fruit to _____.
- 4 What were your favorite _____ in high school? What were your favorite classes?
- 5 The _____ is the time by which something must be done.
- 8 A dog that is loyal is also _____.
- 9 The film had a complicated _____. It was hard to understand the storyline.
- 11 A word for great pleasure is _____.
- 14 The Senate will hold hearings to either confirm or _____ the nomination.