

Easy English Times

October 2017 Learning Activities

ANSWER KEY

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

1. A major earthquake of MAGNITUDE 7.1 STRUCK central Mexico. (p. 1)
2. The DACA program gives young immigrants the ability to STUDY and WORK in the U.S. (p. 1, caption)
3. Some people of faith have voted to become SANCTUARY congregations. (p. 1)
4. The President and his Cabinet are part of the EXECUTIVE branch of government. (p. 2)
5. The two parts of the U.S. Congress are the SENATE and HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. (p. 2)
6. The Columbus Day holiday has become CONTROVERSIAL. (p. 2)
7. Sor Juana Inés de la Cruz lived during Mexico's COLONIAL period. (p. 4)
8. Hurricane Harvey was the WETTEST hurricane on record. (p. 4)
9. There are thousands of cats that need TO BE RESCUED. (p. 5)
10. Early DETECTION tests for breast cancer can SAVE many thousands of lives each year. (p. 6)

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

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| <u> b </u> 1. Churches are stepping in | a. a secondary, typically undesirable effect |
| <u> c </u> 2. I'm on my way . | b. becoming involved in a difficult situation |
| <u> d </u> 3. To back up her case... | c. going to a place, but not there yet |
| <u> a </u> 4. A side effect was.... | d. to strengthen and supplement |

III. More careful reading--find these answers:

A. From "Sanctuary churches support immigrants" (pages 1 and 6)

1. Sanctuary is in the NEWS today, but it is an OLD practice.
2. The Trump administration OPPOSES cities serving as sanctuaries.

B. From "Columbus Day or Indigenous Peoples' Day is October 9" (page 2)

1. The statue of Christopher Columbus in New York's Central Park was recently VANDALIZED.
2. The Los Angeles City Council voted to mark the second Monday in Oct. as INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY.

C. From "Naming hurricanes" (page 4)

1. The names are taken from a list of alphabetically organized MALE and FEMALE names.
2. The idea was that NAMES made the storms easier to remember.

D. From "How to take your case to small claims court... and win!" (page 8)

1. Small Claims Court is where people ARGUE their case themselves without hiring a LAWYER.
2. When you appear in court, "put your BEST FOOT FORWARD."

IV. Look at all the photos in this issue. Which ones get your attention? Why?

Crossword puzzle answers

Across: 1. incentive 2. likely 3. disturbing 5. fund 7. rushed 8. succeed 10. boss

Down: 4. knowledge 6. concussion 9. tenant 11. trapped

