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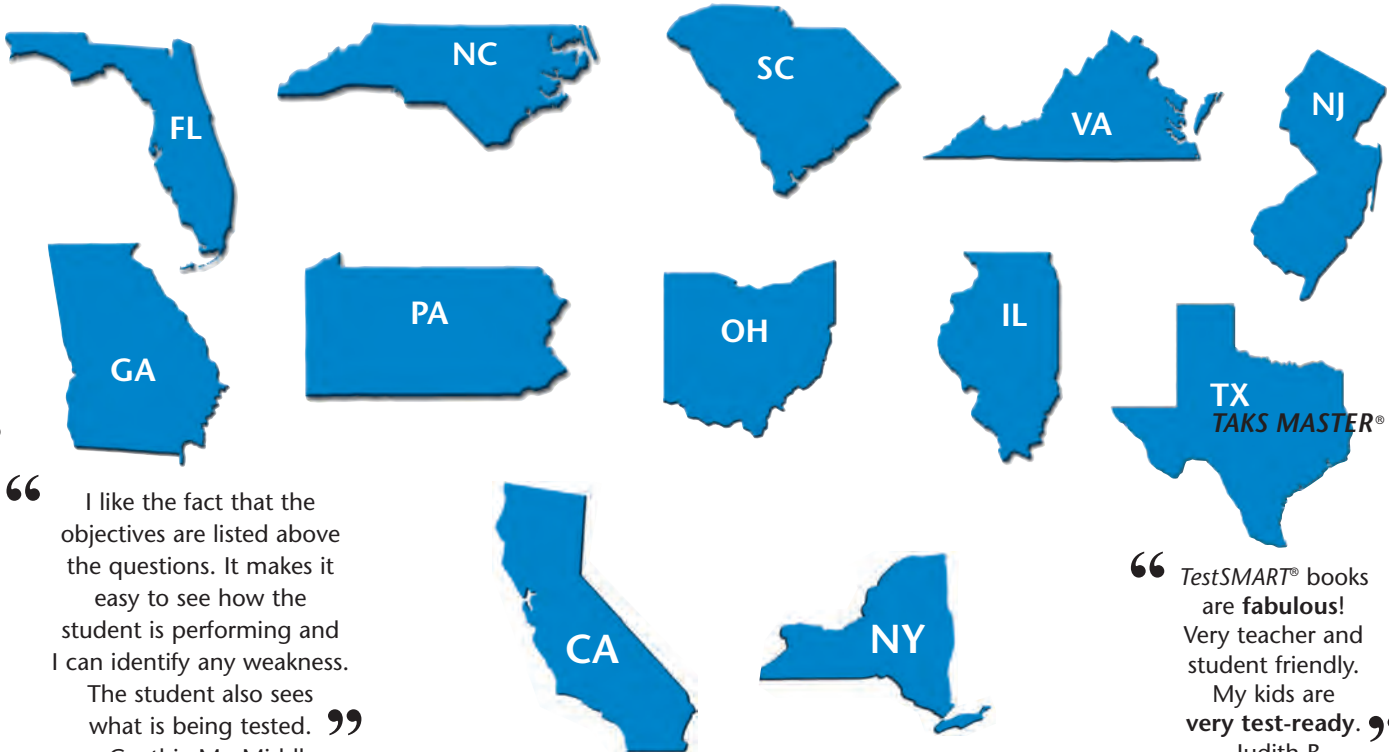
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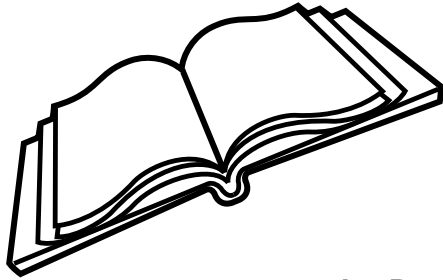
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Word Analysis

- I. Determine the meaning of words in written texts
 - A. Use word analysis skills (e.g., phonics) to recognize new words
 - B. Use root words and other structural cues to recognize new words

Practice 1: Word Analysis

Directions: Read each question. On your answer sheet, darken the circle for the correct word.

1. Tom drew a **circle** on his paper.

Which word begins with the same sound as **circle**?

- A care
- B crew
- C side
- D clay

2. Mother bought a **gallon** of milk.

Which word begins with the same sound as **gallon**?

- A gym
- B length
- C gentle
- D gate

3. Which word has the same sound as the “i” in **kite**?

- A kit
- B swing
- C high
- D drift

4. Which word has the same sound as the “u” in **grumpy**?

- A using
- B under
- C usual
- D human

5. Sue was **thirsty** after she ran.

Which word begins with the same sound as **thirsty**?

- A Thursday
- B with
- C tunnel
- D tiny

6. Terry does not **know** my brother.

Which word begins with the same sound as **know**?

- A kettle
- B kingdom
- C never
- D quick

7. Which word has the same sound as the “o” in **hot**?

- A hotel
- B bottle
- C both
- D hoot

8. Dad took a **quick** trip to the store.

Which word ends with the same sound as **quick**?

- A quiet
- B kite
- C brick
- D skill

Practice 2: Word Analysis

Directions: Read each question. On your answer sheet, darken the circle for the correct word.

1. What does the word **unkind** mean?

- A very kind
- B too kind
- C almost kind
- D not kind

2. What is the root of the word **usefulness**?

- A full
- B useful
- C use
- D using

3. The little boy **chipped** his tooth.

Which word begins with the same sound as **chipped**?

- A character
- B cycle
- C cord
- D chicken

4. Which word has the same sound as the letter “a” in **snap**?

- A snake
- B back
- C skate
- D spin

5. I will **spray** the flowers with water.

Which word begins with the same sound as **spray**?

- A split
- B stray
- C sipping
- D spread

6. Which word has the same sound as the letters “ea” in **beat**?

- A better
- B bread
- C feet
- D baking

7. The student gave the **wrong** answer.

Which word begins with the same sound as **wrong**?

- A ring
- B wake
- C white
- D with

8. Did you hear the rooster **crow**?

Which word ends with the same sound as **crow**?

- A ground
- B powder
- C go
- D cotton