

English Vocabulary Exercise

Fill in the blanks with a word that expresses the same idea as the word in the first sentence.

1. He was an audacious leader. He was
.....

timid

ruthless

bold

2. Why do you have such a belligerent attitude?
The person's attitude is

benign

friendly

hostile

3. The puritans led austere lives. They led very
..... lives.

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extravagant

abstemious

honorable

4. Cats have an aversion to getting wet. Cats
..... to get wet.

like

do not like

5. She gave him a baleful look. She gave him an
..... look.

warm

cold

evil

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6. It was a balmy afternoon. It was

.....

warm

very hot

very cold

7. The pirates treated their captives with barbarity. They treated them

cruelly

kindly

leniently

8. The benign uncle tended to spoil the child. He was to the boy.

kind

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harsh

cold

9. We took a circuitous path. We took a path.

direct

shortcut

long winding

10. The king loved to behave in a very ceremonial manner. He behaved in a manner.

formal

liberal

informal

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11. It has been proved that fortune-tellers are charlatans. They are

genuine

foresighted

tricksters

12. Acid is caustic. It is

sweet

bitter

corrosive

Answers

1. He was an audacious leader. He was bold.
2. Why do you have such a belligerent attitude? The person's attitude is hostile.

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3. The puritans led austere lives. They led very abstemious lives.
4. Cats have an aversion to getting wet. Cats do not like to get wet.
5. She gave him a baleful look. She gave him an evil look.
6. It was a balmy afternoon. It was warm.
7. The pirates treated their captives with barbarity. They treated them cruelly.
8. The benign uncle tended to spoil the child. He was kind to the boy.
9. We took a circuitous path. We took a long winding path
10. The king loved to behave in a very ceremonial manner. He behaved in a formal manner.
11. It has been proved that fortune-tellers are charlatans. They are tricksters.
12. Acid is caustic. It is corrosive.