

Do You Remember?

Synonym Matching: In the space provided, write the letter of the synonym on the right that corresponds to the word on the left.

- 1. Goad ____
- 2. Amble _____
- 3. Inimical _____
- 4. Pugnacious _____
- 5. Timorous _____
- 6. Nefarious _____
- 7. Masticate _____
- 8. Altercation _____
- 9. Upbraid _____ 10. Benevolent

- A. Hostile
- B. Scold
- C. Truculent
- D. Chew
- E. Provoke
- F. Evil
- G. Kind
- H. Confrontation
- I. Stroll
- J. Fearful

Reading Comprehension: Read the passage below and answer the questions based on the text.

Damon's string of bad luck seemed to extend indefinitely. He had quit his job at a local coffee shop after his petulant boss accosted him one day for not being obsequious enough to the customers. Damon had been polite, just not overly sycophantic. Since his boss was also his landlord, Damon should have been prudent and acted circumspectly, but he was angry that his boss had abased him in front of other employees. Damon berated his boss, yelling that he was a malicious, malevolent, nefarious old man. When his landlord-boss told him that he had better move out of the apartment, Damon found himself simultaneously bereft of his job and his place to live.

1. As used in the passage above, the word "prudent" is a(n):

- (A) Adjective
- (B) Adverb
- (C) Noun
- (D) Verb
- (E) Preposition



- 2. The reason that Damon's boss yelled at him at work is that:
- (A) Damon was always angry.
- (B) He thought that Damon was overly malicious.
- (C) Damon wasn't officious enough to the customers.(D) Damon had abased him in front of the employees.
- (E) He was Damon's landlord.





ACROSS

- 1 belligerent
- 7 fearful, timid
- 8 to applaud or praise
- 10 hostile, threatening
- 11 horribly villainous
- **15** to pronounce, command, prescribe
- 20 a self-serving flatterer
- 20 a sen-serving natiere
- 23 contentious, ready to

fight

24 tearful

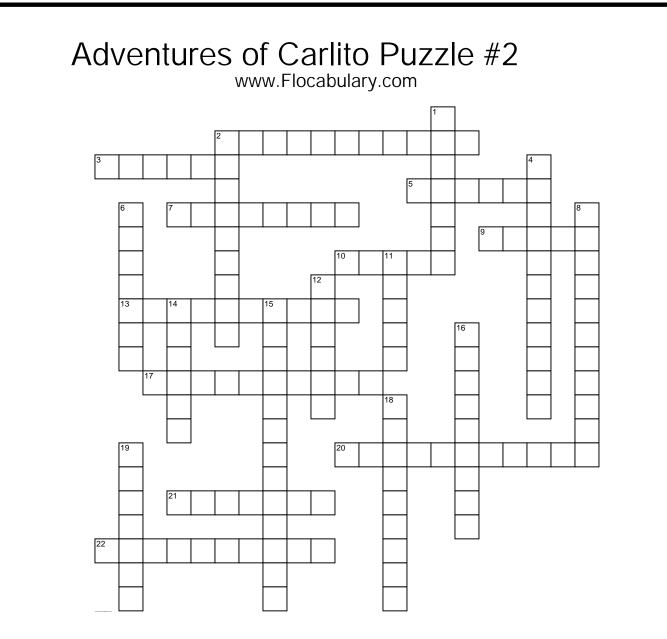
- 25 eager to fight, violent
- 26 miniature, small
- 27 a verbal attack

DOWN

- 2 to approach or confront aggressively
- 3 offering unwanted help or service
- 4 decency, state of being proper
- 5 cautious, careful
- 6 malevolent, harmful
- 9 to walk, travel by foot

- 12 submissive
- 13 having intent to harm others
- 14 eager to follow rules
- **16** to urge, to provoke into action
- 17 to stroll, walk
- 18 crude, vulgar
- 19 cautious
- 21 to strengthen
- 22 to put up with, tolerate

WORD BANK: Abide, accost, amble, belligerent, circumspect, dictate, diminutive, fortify, goad, inimical, invective, lachrymose, laud, malevolent, malicious, nefarious, obsequious, officious, propriety, prudent, pugnacious, punctilious, scurrilous, sycophant, timorous, trek, truculent.



ACROSS

- 2 compensation, reimbursement
- 3 to scold severely
- 5 to agree
- 7 false but intended to seem believable or possible
- 9 to lessen, to reduce in severity
- 10 to lower, demean, degrade
- 13 one who settles controversy between two sides
- 17 kind, good, caring
- 20 an argument, dispute
- 21 to intervene, to arbitrate, to sort out
- 22 a cut, a rip

DOWN

- 1 to give in, to accept
- 2 to reject, turn down
- 4 revenge, punishment
- 6 anger, offense, resentment
- 8 vengeance, revenge, payback
- 11 to apologize, make amends
- 12 balanced, readied
- 14 without, devoid of
- 15 obliging, helpful
- 16 to chew
- 18 irritability, impoliteness
- 19 to criticize, scold, reproach

WORD BANK: Abase, abate, accede, accommodating, altercation, arbitrator, atone, benevolent, berate, bereft, concede, laceration, masticate, mediate, petulance, poised, repudiate, restitution, retaliation, retribution, spurious, umbrage, upbraid.