

# Check the Meaning

Choose the correct meaning for the word in bold type. Fill in the circle next to the correct meaning.

1. To **procure** is to

- (A) get.
- (B) steal.
- (C) create.
- (D) destroy.

2. Another word for **maneuver** is

- (A) mark.
- (B) move.
- (C) provide.
- (D) guess.

3. A **statistic** is a

- (A) form of electricity.
- (B) type of computer.
- (C) place to stand.
- (D) fact expressed in numbers.

4. Another word for **circumstance** is

- (A) circle.
- (B) neighborhood.
- (C) area.
- (D) condition.

5. When people **forfeit** something, they

- (A) fasten it to something else.
- (B) give it up.
- (C) pretend to love it.
- (D) criticize it.

6. Another word for **verbose** is

- (A) truthful.
- (B) poisonous.
- (C) wordy.
- (D) polite.

7. A **pedestrian** is

- (A) someone traveling on foot.
- (B) part of a clock.
- (C) a person dressed in an unusual way.
- (D) a doctor who treats children.

8. Another word for **restriction** is

- (A) responsibility.
- (B) confusion.
- (C) title.
- (D) limitation.

9. A **casualty** is

- (A) an informal way of dressing.
- (B) someone killed or injured.
- (C) a greeting.
- (D) a high-speed highway.

10. If something is **prescribed**, it is

- (A) prevented.
- (B) lost or confused.
- (C) directed or ordered.
- (D) written.

11. To **endeavor** is to

- (A) try.
- (B) avoid.
- (C) pull apart.
- (D) show favor for.

12. An **erratic** movement is

- (A) entertaining.
- (B) unbelievable.
- (C) misleading.
- (D) unpredictable.

# 1 Rules of the Road

## A Check the Meaning

Read the paragraphs below. Think about the meaning of the words in bold type.

The automobile is a source of both love and hate. We love the feeling of freedom it gives us as we **maneuver** through traffic or across the open highway. We hate it when there is no place to park or when we are stuck in traffic. Like it or not, knowing how to drive is almost a necessity today.

To drive legally, you must get a license. The process begins with a test on the traffic rules. Passing this test allows you to **procure** a learner's permit. The test asks what a driver should do in certain **circumstances**. For example, it may ask when a **pedestrian** has the right of way.

Once you have a learner's permit, you may drive an automobile if an experienced, licensed driver accompanies you. This **restriction** requires beginning drivers to learn from people with lots of driving experience. Start by driving slowly on little-used side streets. **Statistics** show that speed and inexperience are the cause of many accidents. Trying to do too much too soon might make you a **casualty**.

When you have mastered all the driving skills, you are ready for the final test. This test involves driving a **prescribed** course with an officer who evaluates your driving. Now you must **endeavor** to demonstrate how well you drive. This road test is usually conducted in a quiet and serious manner. It is not a time for idle conversation or **verbose** behavior. Listen carefully to the directions the officer gives you and perform them smoothly. Avoid **erratic** movements, and use your turn signals. Always maintain a reasonable speed.

Once you have earned the license to drive, you must continue to drive safely. A series of **minor** violations or one serious violation could cause you to **forfeit** your driving privileges.