

# CHAPTER 2 CONCEPT REVIEW WORKSHEET

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Choosing the Right Words

1. What are the basic building blocks (fundamental element) of writing?

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2. What is the study of the meanings of words called? \_\_\_\_\_

3. What are the two basic types of meanings that words have, and what is the difference?

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4. What is the difference between an:

abridged dictionary \_\_\_\_\_

unabridged dictionary \_\_\_\_\_

5. What is the difference between a:

dictionary \_\_\_\_\_

thesaurus \_\_\_\_\_

6. What kinds of words should you use to make your writing clearer and more effective?

a. \_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_

c. \_\_\_\_\_

d. \_\_\_\_\_

e. \_\_\_\_\_

f. \_\_\_\_\_

g. \_\_\_\_\_

7. What is a cliché? \_\_\_\_\_

Give an example: \_\_\_\_\_

8. Give a definition and an example of each of the following:

homonym \_\_\_\_\_

pseudohomonym \_\_\_\_\_

antonym \_\_\_\_\_

synonym \_\_\_\_\_

9. What is meant by *bias-free* words? \_\_\_\_\_

Give an example: \_\_\_\_\_

10. Give an example of a gender specific word and its gender neutral counterpart.

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