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2 Build Vocabulary: Word Meaning and Spelling

Directions: Reprint the vocabulary words on the lines provided.

1. **morale:** confidence or enthusiasm of a group or person _____

2. **elaborate:** fancy _____

3. **lucid:** clear, understandable _____

4. **liaison:** someone who carries out tasks ordered by another _____

5. **error:** a mistake _____

6. **severe:** harsh _____

7. **decipher:** to decode or make sense of _____

8. **grief:** extreme sadness, usually at the loss of someone or something _____

9. **compassion:** pity and concern for the misfortune of others _____

10. **compensate:** to provide something in return for a service _____

Directions: Find the vocabulary words that fit into these sentences.

1. "I think taking away TV privileges for the week is a rather _____ punishment."

2. "My teacher didn't show much _____ when I said the dog ate my homework."

3. "No matter if the team has won or lost, their _____ is always boosted by a pizza party."