



Dictionary and Thesaurus Skills

Name: _____

Date: _____

Grade: Grade 4

Part A: Multiple Choice

Circle the best answer for each question.

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- B) Encyclopedia
- C) Thesaurus
- D) Atlas

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3. The guide words are "planet" and "plaster." Which word would NOT be on this page?

- A) Plant
- B) Plank
- C) Plate
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4. A thesaurus gives these synonyms for "cold": chilly, frigid, icy, cool. Which fits best in "It was a ___ autumn morning"?

- A) Frigid
- B) Icy
- C) Cool
- D) Chilly

Part B: Fill in the Blank

Write the correct answer on each line.

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