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**“Thank You, M’am”**  by Langston Hughes (text page 126)

**Build Vocabulary**

**Using the Suffix *–able***

Meaning “capable of” or “tending to.”

Changes verbs into adjectives – *disagree* “to argue” into *disagreeable* “tending to argue.”

**A. Directions:** Add *–able* to change the verb into an adjective.

1. (predict) Mrs. Jones’s behavior was not very .
2. (understand) She thought Roger’s crime was .
3. (manage) She thought that despite his crime he was still a boy.
4. (present) She told Roger to comb his air so he would look .
5. (work) Do you think her approach would be in real-life situations?

**Using the Word Bank**

**presentable** (not too dirty or messy to be seen) **mistrusted** (had no trust in someone)

**latching** (closing or hooking) **barren** (having very few plants) **barely** (almost not at all)

**B. Directions:** Circle *T* for true and *F* for false.

T F 1. Everyone else at a formal dinner will find you presentable if you go in T-shirts and shorts.

T F 2. In the month of November, the new year has barely begun.

T F 3. Compared to the Earth, the moon has a barren landscape.

T F 4. In football, latching on to another player may result in a holding penalty.

T F 5. If viewers mistrusted a TV commercial, they would rush out to buy the product.

**Analogies**

**C. Directions:** For each pair of word in CAPITAL LETTERS, choose a pair with a similar relationship.

1. BARELY : COMPLETELY :: (opposites)
2. somewhat : entirely b. fully : substantially c. naked : clothed
3. BARREN : DESERT :: (desert is a barren place)
4. dry : forest b. cold : Arctic c. hilly : flatland
5. PRESENTABLE : DISGRACEFUL :: (opposites)
6. polite : proper b. gift : generous d. right : wrong
7. TRUST : MISTRUSTED ::
8. value : concerned c. doubt : believed d. puzzle : wondered
9. TOUCHING : LATCHING ::
10. nibbling : devouring b. opening : closing c. clasping : fastening