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Name _____ Date _____

2-15 RECOGNIZING ADJECTIVES

The teacher refused to let her class study *Ivanhoe* because she said it contained too much

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To find out the teacher's reason, select the underlined word in each sentence that is an adjective, writing the first letter of that word in the space at the left. Transfer these letters to the corresponding spaces above. (Remember that adjectives answer the questions "which," "what kind of," and "how many.")

- _____ 1. Grandpa always told us exciting tales about his boyhood in the "old country."
- _____ 2. He will probably be reelected, since his performance during his term in office has been outstanding.
- _____ 3. Among older workers there is less absenteeism and greater productivity.
- _____ 4. This painting appears to be an exact copy of an earlier work.
- _____ 5. Visiting the site of the ancient city of Troy was an experience I will never forget.
- _____ 6. Bud's reply to the teacher's question was instantaneous.
- _____ 7. The salesman said he was nervous because it was his first day on the job.
- _____ 8. Helen is the most sensible girl in this group.
- _____ 9. I wonder how Vivian can afford to wear the very latest styles.
- _____ 10. Vigorous exercise several times a week is recommended for keeping muscles in good condition.
- _____ 11. As he stared at the trophy, he pictured himself making the crucial hit that won the game.
- _____ 12. Neglected children often have serious psychological problems that get them into trouble.
- _____ 13. Water shortages in parts of the United States have prompted the growing of xeric plants (those requiring less water).

BONUS

On the back of this sheet, list several suffixes that are often found on adjectives, making them easy to recognize in some instances.