

THE FOLLOWING ARE PAIRS OF **SYNFORMS**, I.E. WORDS WITH SIMILAR FORMS BUT DIFFERENT MEANINGS AND/OR USES. ONE INTERESTING STRATEGY FOR CONSOLIDATING THESE SIMILAR TERMS IS BY **VISUALISING THEIR WRITTEN FORM** TO TRY AND REMEMBER EACH TERM PRIOR TO THEIR USE IN MEANINGFUL CONTEXTS.

VISUALISE THE WRITTEN FORM OF THESE PAIRS/GROUPS OF WORDS, COMBINE VISUALISATION WITH CONFIGURATION OR ANY STRATEGY THAT WILL AID RECALL AND THEN FILL IN THE TEXTS WITH THE RIGHT TERM.

INTERPERSONAL – INTRAPERSONAL

Many people don't trust in couple's or family therapy, because they believe that the therapist is only supposed to deal with the inner world of the patient. This assumption could not be



further from the truth. First of all, because the _____ conflicts a person may be dealing with always affect that person's relationships and the other way round. Second, because on many occasions it is exactly a third party –like the professional therapist- that can



help solve _____ problems; i.e., issues with other people.

SOLO – SOLOIST




A concerto is written so that the entire piece features one _____ .





A concerto is intended to show off all aspects of the _____'s technical and expressive mastery of his or her instrument, from fast pyrotechnics (referred to as "virtuosity") to slow, sweet, and lyrically sensitive musicianship.

(Adapted from: <http://www.symphonynovascotia.ca/Education/Symphony101/Soloist/>)

BLARING – BLAZING – GLARING

There had been an accident and the road was blocked. The sun was _____  hot and we had been in stuck in the traffic for almost twenty minutes. Suddenly, someone started

_____  the horn as if there was no tomorrow and people, of course, joined

in. Some, annoyed, started _____  and shouting at the noise-makers. And suddenly, it hit me. A man had died in the accident, and all people could do now was stir trouble. Amidst the mess which that road was, I had learned how weak we are, how easy we lose track of that which most matters: the lives and deaths of those who live in this world with us. I thanked God for the epiphany, and then waited.

HOARSE – COARSE

John was an extremely well educated and kind man. However, he had been incessantly subjected to all kinds of prejudice. If truth be told, his looks could somewhat be considered deceptive. He was rather bent and his _____, even ugly features did not strike people as pleasant, even when he was usually smiling. To top it all off, although he spoke with a standard accent and expressed himself quite eloquently, his _____ voice made him appear older than he actually was and even rather sickly, which once again was not the case.



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