

# VOCAB-u-lous!

## Build a Fabulous Vocab

### Words That Begin With R

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

"Words have the power to destroy or heal. When words are both true and kind they can change the world."

—Jack Kornfield, American teacher and writer

Mr. Kornfield's remarks need no embellishment. We have all used words to wound, and we have all heard inspiring speakers urge us to help make the world a better place through word *and* deed. Think about the power of words as you use a word from the Word Bank to complete each sentence below. Notice that one word fits two sentences. Yes, you may use your dictionary.

<b>Word Bank</b>	rapprochement	recapitulate	reciprocal	refrain	repartee
	rhinoplasty	riparian	roisterer	rubicund	

1. Moira had wanted a \_\_\_\_\_ since she was nine, but her parents refused to allow the surgery, saying there was nothing wrong with her nose.
2. The principal warned the students to \_\_\_\_\_ from talking, chewing gum, and general horsing around during fire drills.
3. For a class ecology project, the students volunteered to help biologists count \_\_\_\_\_ species living along a 1-mile stretch of the river.
4. With his \_\_\_\_\_ face, his merry laugh, and his flowing white beard, Sandra's father reminded her friends of Santa Claus.
5. When the captain of the soccer team singled George out, commenting on his work ethic and his commitment, George felt compelled to offer \_\_\_\_\_ praise.
6. "OK," said Mr. Evers as the calculus students prepared for mid-terms, "let's \_\_\_\_\_ what we've learned so far this semester."
7. Reuben's grandmother thoroughly disapproved of his older sister's boyfriend, calling him a layabout, a ne'er-do-well, and a no-good \_\_\_\_\_.
8. The choirmaster asked the girls to sing the \_\_\_\_\_ twice at the end of the hymn.
9. The softball coach confessed that she had no idea how to bring about \_\_\_\_\_ among the quarreling girls on the team.
10. Leslie's friends admired her for her sense of style, her witty \_\_\_\_\_, and her kindness to her little sister, whom everyone else thought of as a doofus.