

UNIT 11: 1 IS THE LONELIEST NUMBER



Root Word	Meaning	Origin
mono	one	Greek
uni	one	Latin
sol	alone, only	Latin



- monologue** (n) - a long speech given by a character in a story, movie, play, etc.; a speech given by a performer, such as a comedian
*I was so nervous to be the only performer on stage during my very long **monologue**.*
- monotone** (n) - a way of talking or singing without raising or lowering the sound of your voice; talking in one tone of voice
*The robot's voice had a computerized **monotone** that did not sound realistic.*
- monotonous** (adj) - used to describe something that is boring because it is always the same
*We finally ended our **monotonous** drive through the desert, where everything looked the same for miles.*
- unison** (n) - the act of saying or singing something together at the same time; as one
*Our class sang the song all together in **unison**.*
- unicorn** (n) - an imaginary animal that looks like a horse and has one straight horn growing from the middle of its forehead
***Unicorns** are popular creatures in the fantasy genre of literature.*
- unify** (v) - to cause people or things to be joined or brought together
*After the Civil War, the leaders of the United States worked hard to **unify** the North and South.*
- unique** (adj) - used to say that something or someone is unlike anything or anyone else; special or unusual
*Each and every snowflake is **unique** and unlike any other.*
- solitude** (n) - a state or situation in which you are alone, usually because you want to be
*The lone hiker enjoyed the peace and **solitude** of the mountains.*
- solo** (n) - a piece of music that is performed by one singer or musician; something that is done without another person
*The opera singer performed her **solo** in front of a sold-out crowd.*
- solar** (adj) - of or relating to the sun, which there is only one of
*Our **solar** system has only one sun.*

11A: SENTENCE COMPLETION

DIRECTIONS: Complete the following sentences with the correct word from your list. Each word will be used only once.



monologue
monotone
monotonous
unison
unicorn
unify
unique
solitude
solo
solar

1. We organized weekly gatherings in an effort to _____ the contentious community.
2. The professor's _____ was droning on like a robot.
3. He is installing _____ panels on his home to generate electricity from the sun's energy.
4. Did you know that every person fingerprints are _____?
5. I prefer _____ when studying for a test because I can easily get distracted when I am with other people.
6. A _____ in a play can be difficult since there is only one actor performing.
7. He will never believe that I have a pet _____!
8. Dan will sing a _____ all by himself in the talent show.
9. Some might say my life is _____, but I like doing the same thing everyday.
10. The chorus recited their lines in _____.

11B: YES OR NO?

DIRECTIONS: Respond to the following statements by circling "Yes" or "No."

1. **Yes No** A **unicorn** is an extinct animal that no longer exists.
2. **Yes No** A trip to a theme park will probably not be **monotonous**.
3. **Yes No** You will have a copilot on a **solo** flight.
4. **Yes No** A **monologue** requires only one person.
5. **Yes No** A group can sing in **unison**.
6. **Yes No** Our **solar** system revolves around the Earth.
7. **Yes No** You would probably not find **solitude** at a concert.
8. **Yes No** A **monotone** voice is pleasant to listen to.
9. **Yes No** If you **unify** people you are bringing them together.
10. **Yes No** Brown eyes are pretty **unique**.

11C: CHOOSE TWO

DIRECTIONS: Choose two words that BEST explain or define the bold root word.

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| 1. monologue | a. speech | b. interaction | c. dialogue | d. one |
| 2. monotone | a. melodic | b. robotic | c. flat | d. lively |
| 3. monotonous | a. boring | b. predictable | c. exciting | d. thrilling |
| 4. unison | a. together | b. team | c. different | d. solo |
| 5. unicorn | a. mythical | b. real | c. science | d. fake |
| 6. unify | a. divide | b. separate | c. unite | d. connect |
| 7. unique | a. common | b. different | c. individual | d. usual |
| 8. solitude | a. alone | b. independent | c. social | d. companion |
| 9. solo | a. group | b. partner | c. individual | d. single |
| 10. solar | a. sun | b. energy | c. common | d. many |

11D: ANALOGIES

DIRECTIONS: Circle the analogy that BEST matches the bold words.

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| 1. SOLAR : SUN
a) music : rap
b) electricity : sun
c) heat : Earth
d) lunar : moon | 2. HERMIT : SOLITUDE
a) prisoner : freedom
b) exercise : athlete
c) lonely : companion
d) alone : isolated | 3. UNICORN : EXIST
a) walk : fish
b) monkey : talk
c) fantasy : mythical
d) real : fake |
| 4. MONOTONE : EXCITEMENT
a) hostility : friendly
b) hysteria : calm
c) drone : boring
d) one : tone | 5. UNISON : TOGETHER
a) sing : songs
b) independently : alone
c) solo : performance
d) team : work | 6. UNIFY : UNITE
a) connect : people
b) break : join
c) peace : fighting
d) divide : separate |
| 7. SOLO : ALONE
a) group : together
b) song : singer
c) flight : pilot
d) trip : loner | 8. MONOTONOUS : EXCITEMENT
a) vicious : kindness
b) peace : angry
c) repeated : boring
d) thrilling : panic | |
| 9. MONOLOGUE : ONE
a) speech : play
b) actor : performer
c) dialogue : two
d) comedian : politician | 10. UNIQUE : ORIGINAL
a) different : same
b) common : familiar
c) basic : new
d) one : style | |



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11E: TIME TO EXPLORE

DIRECTIONS: Sort the words from this lesson into the table below. Then find additional words with the same roots and place them in the appropriate columns/rows.

root	verb	noun	adjective	adverb
mono				
uni				
sol				

11F: APPLY WHAT YOU KNOW

DIRECTIONS: Answer the questions below.

1. What activities keep your life from being **monotonous**? _____

2. Why do you think the word **solar** is derived from the root that means "only"? _____

3. Do you prefer **solitude** or companionship? Explain your answer. _____

4. What other activities (other than singing) can be done in **unison**? _____

5. What is something **unique** about you? _____

UNIT 11: WORD & DEFINITION MATCH

DIRECTIONS: Cut out the pieces below and match the words with the correct definitions.

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