

Check Your Mastery

Directions Read each item below. Circle the letter of the vocabulary word that best completes each sentence. Use each vocabulary word only once.

- Leaders who have _____ follow a task to the end, even if they get discouraged.
A. persistence B. cooperation C. compassion
- _____ is an important aspect of leadership, because it is hard to complete big tasks without teamwork and the help of others.
A. Compassion B. Self-discipline C. Cooperation
- A _____ leader can be counted on to keep secrets, be honest with money, and not betray people.
A. cooperation B. trustworthy C. persistence
- Great leaders need _____ because it helps them forgive mistakes that people make.
A. persistence B. compassion C. cooperation
- There's no doubt that _____ is a key quality in a leader because without self-control, it's hard to stay on task.
A. compassion B. cooperation C. self-discipline

Directions Read the passage below. Then select the vocabulary word that best fits the context. Write the word in the blank. Use each vocabulary word only once.

Clara Barton, born in 1821, was a leader in three different fields! She is famous for her kindness and **6.** _____ (*persistence, self-discipline, compassion*) as a battlefield nurse. She is also well known as a teacher who taught her students to stay focused and in control of their actions. She wanted them to have **7.** _____ (*trustworthy, cooperation, self-discipline*). But Clara Barton's fame as a leader rests on her **8.** _____ (*persistence, trustworthy, compassion*) in establishing the American Red Cross. This was her biggest and most difficult battle because not everyone agreed that America needed an aid group to act in peacetime as well as in wartime. To establish the American Red Cross, Clara Barton needed the **9.** _____ (*compassion, persistence, cooperation*) of many people. She met with members of Congress, the president, and all his advisors. Because she had such a good reputation and was so **10.** _____ (*trustworthy, compassion, self-discipline*), people listened to her. In 1881, Clara Barton founded the American Red Cross. She became its first president and led the organization for 23 years.