

POST-ITS – 1

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The building blocks for this vocabulary quiz are provided courtesy of the United States Postal Service. For instance, given the clue “misnomers”, the requisite response is formed by concatenating the official two-letter abbreviations of the states of California, Colorado, New York, and Mississippi to produce CA CO NY MS . The first dozen examples solicit six-letter words made up of three two-letter abbreviations, while the final quartet has answers that are each eight letters in length and thus require four such abbreviations. To facilitate the discovery process, all required blocks have been supplied, with the number of times each appears indicated parenthetically. Suffice it to say that a perfect score will surely make a statement!

1. nautical -----
2. associate Supreme Court justice appointed in 1986 -----
3. understood by only a few -----
4. convert into plain text -----
5. botched -----
6. something that is taxed -----
7. British coin worth two shillings -----
8. domesticated South American mammal -----
9. data conversion devices -----
10. frankness -----
11. S.E. African country once known as Nyasaland -----
12. one who defaces property -----
13. repetitive food fish -----
14. Lincoln’s is in Washington -----
15. lotion used to relieve itchiness -----
16. type of orange or duck -----

ABBREVIATIONS

| | | | | |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| AL (4) | FL (1) | LA (3) | MS (1) | RI (2) |
| AR (2) | HI (2) | MA (5) | ND (4) | SC (1) |
| CA (4) | IA (1) | ME (2) | NE (3) | SD (1) |
| CO (2) | ID (1) | MI (2) | OR (2) | VA (1) |
| DE (3) | IN (4) | MO (2) | PA (1) | WI (1) |