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LEXICAL-SEMANTIC ACTIVATION

Exercise 2

This is a synonym exercise that is designed to practice lexical and semantic development. Substitute each word in bold with a similar word that is adequate for the text provided.

Original Text

Save the Children is the leading independent organisation creating lasting change in the lives of children in need in the United States and around the world. Recognised for our commitment to accountability, innovation and collaboration, our work takes us into the heart of communities, where we help children and families help themselves. We work with other organisations, governments, non-profits and a variety of local partners while maintaining our own independence without political agenda or religious orientation.

When disaster strikes around the world, Save the Children is there to save lives with food, medical care and education and remains to help communities rebuild through long-term recovery programs. As quickly and as effectively as Save the Children responds to tsunamis and civil conflict, it works to resolve the on-going struggles children face every day — poverty, hunger, illiteracy and disease — and replaces them with hope for the future.

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Example

Save the Children is the chief independent organisation creating everlasting change in the lives of children in need in the United States and throughout the world. Recognised for our commitment to responsibility, modernisation and cooperation, our work takes us into the centre of communities, where we help children and families help themselves. We work with other organisations, governments, non-profits and a variety of local partners while conserving our own independence without political agenda or religious aim.

When tragedy happens around the world, Save the Children is there to save lives with food, medical rescue and education and continues to help communities restructure through long-term rehabilitation programs. As quickly and as effectively as Save the Children responds to tidal waves and civil conflict, it works to fix the endless battles children face every day — poverty, starvation, illiteracy and disease — and replaces them with optimism for the future.

Other Alternatives

Leading=best, dominant

Lasting=continuing, constant, endless

Around=all over

Accountability=liability

Innovation=modification, change

Collaboration=team work, partnership, working together

Heart=core, focus, hub, nucleus, root

Maintaining=keeping, protecting

Orientation=aspect, adaptation

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Disaster=catastrophe

Strikes=takes place, sneaks up, hits, attacks

Care=assistance, help, attention, support, treatment, relief

Remains=stays

Rebuild=repair, fix, patch up, reconstruct, revamp, recondition

Recovery=readjustment, reestablishment, restoration

Resolve=take care of

On-going=continuous, perpetual, timeless, steady, repeated

Struggles=battles

Hunger=famine

Hope=faith, promise, prospect

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