

CAE – Listening, Chimpanzee tantrums

Instructions- Listen to the radio report on Chimpanzee tantrums, fill in the missing words and then define them below using the text to help you.

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Vocabulary and definitions

- Patience** _____
- risk-taking** _____
- a safe option** _____
- concealed** _____
- revealed** _____
- a tantrum** _____
- frustration** _____
- regret** _____
- fundamental** _____
- uniquely** _____

ANSWERS

LISTENING

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VOCABULARY

patience - the ability to keep calm

risk-taking- taking a chance; making a decision where the result might be good or bad

a safe option - a choice which is not risky

concealed - hidden

revealed - shown

a tantrum - a period of anger without control

frustration - feeling annoyed

regret - feeling of sadness about a decision you have made

fundamental - important

uniquely - only

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