**Instructions:**

1. Read the biography as many times as it is necessary to get the general idea.

2. Look in the dictionary for the meanings of these words. Think how the verbs are used in the biography.

* Lost
* Grew
* Had
* Became
* Met

3. Complete the exercises below.

**FAMOUS ECOLOGIST LEAVES IMPRESSIVE LEGACY**by Whit Gibbons (Google)  
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In August 2002, the world lost its greatest ecologist. Dr. Eugene P. Odum, professor emeritus at the University of Georgia. He died doing what he liked the most. He was taking care of his garden. The middle initial was P. for Pleasants, which was fitting. Gene was indeed pleasant--a charming southern gentleman.

Born September 17, 1913, he grew up in Chapel Hill, N.C., where his father, Howard W. Odum, was a famous sociology professor.

In the field of ecology, Gene's work had no parallel in the 1940s and 1950s. He looked at the environment as a whole instead of as separate, unrelated biological parts. He is known as the Father of Ecology. In the 1950s he published his first textbook, "Fundamentals of Ecology."

Odum became the first director of the University of Georgia's Institute of Ecology, which was founded in 1960 and attracted one of the largest contingents of well-known, productive and respected ecologists in the world. His many contributions to science and the environment are admirably presented by Betty Jean Craige in "Eugene Odum: Ecosystem Ecologist and Environmentalist," published in 2001 by the University of Georgia Press.

He published his last book in 1998, and he returned every year to the Savannah River Ecology Laboratory and met the new ecology students.

Gene is inextricably linked with the statement "the ecosystem is greater than the sum of its parts." Perhaps Gene, too, was greater than the sum of his parts. Certainly, he left a great void.

**Complete the information.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ P. Odum

Born: September \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

In 1950 he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_his first textbook: Fundamentals of Ecology.

In 1960 he became the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of University of Georgia´s Institute of Ecology.

He always returned to the Savannah River \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to meet the new ecology students.

Betty Jean Craige presented the “Eugene Odum: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”.

In 1998 he published \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

He is famous for seeing “the ecosystem greater than the sum of its parts.”

**Look in the dictionary and write the past tense for these irregular verbs.**

Leave\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Meet\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Have\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Grow up \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Lose \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Become\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Come \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Fight \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Take\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Teach \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Forget\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Get\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Make \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Go \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Ride\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Drive \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Sell \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Tell\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Bring\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Catch\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What do you notice about this verbs in comparison with the regulars? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**EVALUATION**

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| CATEGORY | EXCELLENT | GOOD | REGULAR | LIMITED |
| ANSWER | The exercise is correct and complete. | More than half of the answers are correct. | Less than half of the answers are correct. | The majority of the answers are wrong. |

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*Remember: the name of the file should be:*

***Last Name\_Given Name\_Reading\_Famous\_Ecologist***