Appendix B - Strategy Template - Ninth Grade

Directions: When you encounter an **unknown word**, use one (or a combination) of the strategies listed below (context clues, word parts, or reference book) to determine meaning. Place a check mark in the appropriate box each time you use that skill. Write down the word you were trying to figure out.

Word I'm trying to figure out and the date	I used context clues	I used word parts (roots, suffixes, prefixes)	I used a reference book (dictionary or thesaurus)	What I think the word means
Example: Orthodontist 2-27-12		X (ortho means straight/correct, ist means a person who)		Someone who straightens/corrects something (teeth)
2-27-12				