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Definition Duel Answer Key

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| 1. B | 7. G |
| 2. D | 8. H |
| 3. F | 9. I |
| 4. C | 10. J |
| 5. A | 11. K |
| 6. E | 12. L |

Teacher's Guide

- **How to use:** Have students complete the matches independently, then require them to write one sentence for any three words showing the definition in action using **academic tone** and **clear context**.
- **Check for precision:** Ask students to explain why a tempting wrong match is incorrect (for example, **evaluate** vs. **analyze**, or **infer** vs. **justify**). This pushes careful attention to nuance.
- **Differentiation:**
 - Provide a reduced set (1-8) for students who need support, or underline key verbs in the definitions (combine, decide, figure out) to guide matching.
 - For advanced students, remove two definitions and ask them to write their own precise definitions for those missing letters.
- **Engagement:** Run a quick "definition duel" where pairs defend their match choices using a short claim and evidence format: "We matched 6 to E because...".