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Chapters 3-4

# Discovering Meaning Through Context

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Read the following sentences. Three meanings are given for each italicized word. Use the context of the sentence to figure out which meaning is correct. Underline the correct meaning.

**Example:** Annemarie was afraid she had hurt Mama's feelings and *hesitated* before saying any more.

looked                  waited                  moved

1. Annemarie and Ellen took the long way home, *avoiding* the soldiers.

looking for                  dodging                  talking to

2. Kirsti was in a hurry and *scampered* ahead of the older girls.

ran                  looked                  paused

3. Whenever Lise was mentioned, Mrs. Johansen got a *pained* look on her face.

angry                  sad                  thoughtful

4. Annemarie and Ellen thought the Hirschs' son looked awful with his thick glasses and *unruly* hair.

messy                  wavy                  shiny

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5. The boy held on to the handlebars and wrinkled his nose to *nudge* his glasses into place.

remove                      push                      sneeze

6. Annemarie didn't want to think about the dangers facing Ellen, so she tried to convince herself that the problems were *imaginary*.

horrible                      obvious                      not real

7. Her face *glowering*, Kirsti stomped into the room and started to complain.

looking angry                      full of joy                      sunburned

8. At the sight of her ugly new shoes, Kirsti *bellowed* in anger.

entered                      screamed                      agreed

9. The remains of the Danish naval *vessels* lay at the bottom of the harbor.

ships                      soldiers                      castles

10. After being separated from her parents, Ellen put her face in her hands and *sobbed*.

nodded                      whispered                      cried