## *COOKIES*

Read the text and complete the blanks with a word from the box.

A small boy at summer camp _____ a large package of cookies in the mail from his mother. He ate a few, the placed the reminder under his bed. The next day, after lunch, he went to his tent to get a cookie. The _____ was gone.

That afternoon a camp _____, who had been told of the theft, saw another boy sitting behind a tree eating the stolen cookies. "That young man", he said to himself, "must be _____ not to steal".

He returned to the group and sought out the boy _____ cookies had been stolen. "Billy", he said, "I know who stole your cookies. Will you help me teach him a lesson?".

"Well, yes-but aren´t you going to punish him?" asked the _____boy.

"No, that would only make him resent and hate you", the counselor explained. "I want you to call your mother and ask her to send you another box of cookies."

The boy did as the counselor asked and a few days later received another box of cookies in the _____.

"Now", said the counselor, "the boy who stole your cookies is down by the lake. Go down there and share your cookies with him".

"But", _____ the boy, "he´s the thief".

"I know. But try it – see what happens".

Half an hour later the camp counselor saw the two come up the hill, arm in arm. The boy who had stolen the cookies was earnestly trying to get the other to accept his jackknife in _____ for the stolen cookies, and the victim was just as earnestly _____ the gift from his new friend, saying that a few old cookies weren´t that important anyway.

***MAIL – PAYMENT – COUNSELOR – RECEIVED – PUZZLED – REFUSING – WHOSE – PROTESTED – BOX – TAUGHT***