

EXERCISE 1

Choose the best answer. Use the contextual clues to help you find the correct answer.

1. Put this medicine on your arm and rub it into your skin until it's invisible. It will inhibit the infection's attempt to spread. What does "inhibit" mean?
 - A. live in a certain place
 - B. block or slow down
 - C. itch or burn
 - D. help to do something important
2. Fatin and Lizzy are having a dispute over which radio station to play at work. It would be so much simpler if they both liked the same kind of music. A dispute is a
 - A. musical instrument
 - B. choice of music
 - C. discovery
 - D. disagreement
3. When your plan brings us great wealth, you will be rewarded for your sagacity. What is sagacity?
 - A. good looks
 - B. mistakes
 - C. Intelligence
 - D. huge appetite for herbs
4. We have rather lofty expectations for you, son. You will attend college. You will become rich and famous. You will be elected president of the United States before you turn forty. Which word is a synonym of "lofty"?
 - A. high
 - B. shaky
 - C. small
 - D. slowly
5. No one suspected that Jerry was a spy. On the surface he behaved like any normal citizen. When his covert activity was discovered and announced to the world, we were all shocked. Covert is...
 - A. Friendly
 - B. helpful
 - C. loud
 - D. hidden
6. If you don't recover quickly from your condition, it could become chronic. Then you might have to take medicine for the rest of your life. If something is chronic, it
 - A. is very painful
 - B. won't go away
 - C. makes you smell bad
 - D. isn't real
7. Connie is never happy when everyone is getting along. She always instigates fights and then acts like little Miss Innocent. When you instigate something, you
 - A. check it out
 - B. protect it
 - C. get it started
 - D. ignore it

4. I have a ____ because I walked in the rain yesterday. Today my nose is running. I have to stay at home, take a medicine and use a lot of tissues.
- A. flu C. stomachache
B. headache D. toothache
5. My father is a very ____ man. But my uncle does not like that at all because he does not do any work. He sleeps all day and eats too much.
- A. lazy C. hardworking
B. sleepy D. brave
6. That small ____ is flying around the beautiful sunflower before it steps down to get some honey from that yellow gigantic flower.
- A. bee C. fly
B. spider D. dragonfly
7. Julie puts some ____ in the coffee before stirring it. The coffee is quite sweet, so she adds some hot water to balance the taste.
- A. cream C. sugar
B. fresh milk D. salt

EXERCISE 3

The following sentences contain reference words that are underlined. Write what each reference word refers to.

1. The government should support the local scientist in **their** research on flora and fauna **that** are found in our country.
- i. **their** refer to
- A. government B. local scientists C. flora and fauna D. our country
- ii. **that** refers to
- A. government B. local scientists C. flora and fauna D. our country
2. Jenny is going to hold a party at her house next weekend. She put the directions to **her** house in the invitation card. **They** will lead the guest to her house easily.
- i. **her** refers to
- A. Jenny B. party C. Jenny's house D. directions
- ii. **They** refer to
- A. Jenny B. party C. Jenny's house D. directions

3. When we go to the museum, we can see several stuffed animals and birds. **They** are life- like because the taxidermist used the real skins of the **creatures**.
- i. **They** refer to
- A. animals and birds B. taxidermist C. museum D. Stuffed animals and birds
- ii. **creatures** refer to
- A. animals and birds B. taxidermist C. museum D. Stuffed animals and birds
4. Students should not miss classes. This is because **they** will not be able to keep up with **their** studies.
- i. **they** refer to
- A. classes B. students C. studies D. teachers
- ii. **their** refer to
- A. classes B. students C. studies D. teachers