

Christmas Term Test

Vocabulary

Contextual meaning of words.

State the meaning of the underlined word in each sentence. (2 marks)

1. The hungry dog gnawed greedily on the bone outside the market.
2. The delightful aroma of the spicy food made my mouth water.
3. When the student didn't understand the instructions, he asked the teacher to clarify them.
4. In the distance, we saw the kite soaring high in the sky.
5. The workman was in agony after he dropped the heavy brick on his foot.

gnawed	
aroma	
clarify	
soaring	
agony	

Identify the two words in each sentence which have the same meaning. (1 mark)

1. I shiver when I feel cold but my brother doesn't even tremble.
2. The vacant house which has been empty for a while has been sold.
3. The indolent child never completes her assignments, she is too lazy to do them.
4. The lady promptly called the police after the thief quickly stole her car.
5. We were in a melancholy mood after our dog sadly passed away.

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Homophones

Choose the Homophone to correctly complete each sentence. (1 mark)

1. _____ book is on the floor? (Whose, Who's)
2. The bowler had to _____ the ball into the air. (lunch, launch)
3. We have to address the Prime Minister _____ as he is not our equal. (formally, formerly)
4. The children were not _____ to play in the rain. (aloud, allowed)
5. Loud thunder was quickly followed by bright streaks of _____. (lightening, lightning)