6th Grade **Name**_____

Context Clues: Quiz

Read the brief passage below. Then type the boldfaced words and the context clues that helped you figure out the meanings.

Maggie was a precocious child to say the least. She produced brilliant watercolor paintings by the age of three. At first, her parents were **flabbergasted**—utterly blown away—by their daughter's ability, but soon they got used to their little painter. Her preschool teacher said that Maggie's **dexterity**, or ease with which she used her hands, was something she had never before seen in such a young child. Little Maggie never **gloated** or took pride in her paintings; she just smiled contentedly when she finished one and requested her parents give it to someone as a gift. Whenever people met Maggie for the first time, they often watched her paint with their mouths **agape**, but her parents always kept their mouths closed and simply smiled over their "little Monet."

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Read each sentence. Then type the correct letter that gives the meaning of each underlined word.

1. We shopped at the emporium, which is as large as the shopping center, for shampoo and bath soap. _____

a. amusement park b. bathroom c. library d. large store

2. Speaking rudely to the judges was rash behavior. _____

a. itchy skin condition b. funny c. trying to hide a disguise d. with little thought

3. Joe felt anguish when his dog died. He'd had him for 13 years _____

a. extreme excitement of joy b. nothing c. extreme sadness and suffering d. exhausted

4. The news story was based on a letter that was fabricated. Now the reporter who wrote the story is in serious trouble. _____ a. fake b. full of long words c. made of cloth d. funny

5. The teacher felt exasperated because she could not make her students stop talking. ____

a. lonely b. frustrated c. depressed d. shy

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Use the context clue or clues in each sentence. Then type the letter for correct meaning of the boldfaced words.

1. The **omnipotent** superhero always won his battles, unlike his weak opponent. _____

a. weak b. powerless c. frightened d. almighty or all powerful

2. When Max didn't understand the instructions, he asked the teacher to **clarify** them. _____

a. remove b. explain c. call d. stop

3. Mandy's dog had been lost in the woods for two weeks. His **emaciation** – skeleton-like appearance was frightening to see. _____

a. healthy b. soft c. plump d. skeleton-like appearance

4. The **potential** or possibility of doubting the nation's size was very real. _____

a. possibility b. private and secret c. chance d. agreement

5. 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. _____

a. allow b. increase c. prevent d. assist

6. The twins were **ecstatic** about their special birthday gift. They couldn't stop smiling for days. ____

a. nervous b. excited c. discouraged d. relieved

7. Again they searched **meticulously** or very carefully, but no keys. Where could they be? They've looked everywhere! ____

a. carelessly b. strictly c. quietly d. very carefully

8. Sam was always **bashing** the class president with his friends. They could never find anything to praise him for, even when the class president helped him with a class project. _____

a. hitting hard with a heavy tool

b. going to too many expensive parties

c. speaking or writing harshly about

d. voting for a different candidate

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