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HW 2

Where Have You Gone, Charming Billy? (page 62)

Words to Know SkillBuilder

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casually	consolation	elegantly	inertia	silhouetted
conical	diffuse	execute	primitive	transparent

A. Circle the word in each group that is closest in meaning to the boldfaced word.

1. **consolation**	grief	hope	gratitude	comfort
2. **elegantly**	gracefully	quickly	happily	efficiently
3. **execute**	prevent	perform	eliminate	consider
4. **diffuse**	confusing	definite	unfocused	different
5. **silhouetted**	brilliant	outlined	visible	prominent
6. **casually**	informally	thoughtfully	immediately	carefully
7. **transparent**	opaque	presentable	clear	murky

B. Fill in the blank in each sentence with the correct Word to Know.

1. Only a corner of the muddy windshield was _____ enough to see through.
2. He noticed a weird shape _____ against the stormy sky.
3. The image was _____, like a photograph out of focus.
4. Top to bottom, the shape was _____, similar to that of a tornado.
5. The scene looked strange and _____, like something from prehistoric times.
6. In his truck, he sat and stared, as if _____ kept him from moving.
7. Finally, the shape passed gracefully and _____ beyond the distant hills.
8. He decided that only a film crew could _____ so mysterious a vision.

C. Write a letter to Tim O'Brien, the author of "Where Have You Gone, Charming Billy?" Tell him your reactions to his story. Include at least three Words to Know in your letter.