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CONTEXT CLUES

The following stories have make-believe words. Use the clues in the sentence to see if you can figure out the meaning of the make-believe word. Circle the words and phrases that help you determine the meaning.

1.

My grandmother gave me my blepice when I was a baby. Everyone in my family has their own blepice. We each hang ours by our stairs at Christmas because we don't have a fireplace. My blepice is a long, red, skinny sock. My sister's is green and short.

What do you think a blepice is?

Explain why you think that is what it is?

2.

When you play in the snow, you should wear gloves, a hat, and a margle. You need the margle to keep your neck warm. I am lucky because my grandma knitted me a margle for my birthday. It has stripes on it and it is so warm!

What do you think a margle is?

Explain why you think that is what it is?

3.

Emilia threw a giant grimble at me. I was not expecting it! But I found a hiding place with a good pile of snow. I ducked down and made five grimbles. When she walked by, I attacked! After she wiped the snow off her face, we both laughed and went inside to drink hot chocolate.

What do you think a grimble is?

Explain why you think that is what it is?

4.

A holiday tradition in my family is when we decorate our Christmas tree. My mother has collected many special hambets. Her hambets are glass and very delicate. My favorite hambet is a gold star with glitter all over it. She lets me hang it myself. My sister's favorite hambet is a glass angel.

What do you think a hambet is?

Explain why you think that is what it is?

5.

My favorite glingle is a girl named Liselle. I have known her since we were only 2 years old. There are a lot of reasons why she is such a good glingle. The main reason is that she is nice and she always loves to play fun things. I hope she will be my glingle forever!

What do you think a glingle is?

Explain why you think that is what it is?

6.

On Valentine's Day, I made my mom a card with a bloggle in it. I cut the bloggle out of paper and decorated it with red glitter. At first, I did not know how to make a bloggle but then my sister showed me that you can draw one side of it on a folded piece of paper then you cut the bloggle out and then open it up. Voila! A near perfect bloggle! A perfect bloggle has symmetry on both sides.

What do you think a bloggle is?

Explain why you think that is what it is?

7.

A lot of people think it is weird that I do not like malabling. On holidays like Halloween or Valentine's Day, there is so much malabling around me but I don't touch it because I prefer sour candy. My brother loves malabling though. One time he left a piece in his pants pocket and it melted. The worst part is, he still ate it!

What do you think malabling is?

Explain why you think that is what it is?

8.

Did you know I am obsessed with rocktlat? I love to use it to decorate cards and projects I make. I love it because it is so sparkly and shiny. For Valentine's Day, I made a card with red and pink sparkly rocktlat. After I use it, I always have little pieces of rocktlat on my face! But I think it is pretty.

What do you think rocktlat is?

Explain why you think that is what it is?
