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Context Clues: Synonyms

1. The book of logic contained many conundrums - mind-exercising puzzles.

Using the synonym clue, the word **conundrums** in this sentence means

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| ☐ (A) pictures | ☐ (C) answers |
| ☐ (B) stories | ☐ (D) puzzles |

2. Jackie was filled with mortification, or shame, because of her careless remark.

Using the synonym clue, the word **mortification** in this sentence means

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| ☐ (A) proud | ☐ (C) confident |
| ☐ (B) shame | ☐ (D) happy |

3. His rancor, or hatred, of his brother has caused him to live his life as a lonely person.

Using the synonym clue, the word **rancor** in this sentence means

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| ☐ (A) love | ☐ (C) tolerance |
| ☐ (B) generous | ☐ (D) hatred |

4. The events for the conference were listed in chronological order. They began with the first event of the day and ended with the closing ceremonies in the evening.

Using the synonym clue, the word **chronological** in this sentence means

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| ☐ (A) out of order | ☐ (C) messed up |
| ☐ (B) broken | ☐ (D) in order |

5. There was crazy pandemonium as people were trying to leave the rock concert.

Using the synonym clue, the word **pandemonium** in this sentence means

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| ☐ (A) silence | ☐ (C) order |
| ☐ (B) craziness or chaos | ☐ (D) peace |

6. The man was sent to the penitentiary, or prison, for stealing cars.

Using the synonym clue, the word **penitentiary** in this sentence means

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| ☐ (A) paradise | ☐ (C) prison |
| ☐ (B) hotel | ☐ (D) heaven |