

Context Clues Assessment

Directions: Read each question. Circle the correct answer.

1. Read the sentences. What is the meaning of the word heap?

A. messy
B. flat
C. pile
D. hole

Evie's room was such a mess. There was a heap of dirty clothes laying in the corner, the bed was unmade, and the trash was overflowing.

2. Read the sentences. What is the meaning of the word anxious?

A. excited
B. thrilled
C. angry
D. nervous

Charlie was anxious about moving to a new school. He had a hard time sleeping the night before and felt sick to his stomach.

3. Read the sentences. What is the meaning of the word ransacked?

A. robbed
B. protected
C. organized
D. ignored

The intruders ransacked the house looking for valuables such as money and jewelry. Drawers were left open, clothes were thrown everywhere, and furniture was turned over.

4. Read the sentences. What word helps the reader understand the meaning of the word curious?

A. places
B. little
C. always
D. discovering

The little kitten named Sophie was a curious cat. She was always getting into things and discovering new places to hide and play.

5. Read the sentences. What is the meaning of the word feisty?

- A. messy
- B. energetic
- C. young
- D. calm

Zoe loved to bark and jump when company came over. So, the feisty dog would have to stay in the backyard during the party.

6. Read the sentences. What is the meaning of the word consideration?

- A. thought
- B. answer
- C. begging
- D. question

I asked if I could go to Haley's party. Mom said she would have to give it some consideration before she gave me an answer. Luckily, three days later, mom said, "Yes."

7. Read the sentences. What word helps the reader understand the meaning of the word pliable?

- A. to cut apart
- B. cracked
- C. able to be bent
- D. stiff

The carpenter chose soft, pliable wood to build the curved table. She knew that not all types of wood would bend without cracking.

8. Read the sentences. What word does NOT help the reader understand the meaning of the word foul?

- A. horrible
- B. dumpster
- C. smell
- D. sick

The smell from the dumpster was foul. The horrible odor would cause a person walking near the dumpster to feel sick to their stomach.

9. Read the sentences. What is the meaning of the word lethargic?

- A. sick
- B. tired
- C. bored
- D. well

Zed had the flu. He not only had a temperature, but was also lethargic and spent most of the days home sleeping in bed.

10. Read the sentences. What is the meaning of the word blot?

- A. a spot
- B. a spill
- C. to soak up
- D. to knock over

Eliza spilled her grape juice on the counter. She quickly grabbed a towel to blot up the flowing liquid.