

Context Clues 2.4

Directions: read each sentence and determine the meaning of the word using cross sentence clues or your prior knowledge. Then, explain what clues in the sentence helped you determine the word meaning.

1. **amass:** By making his lunches and saving his lunch money, Alex was able to **amass** enough to pay for his first semester of college.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

2. **contemplate:** I am disappointed, but I have nothing more to say. I will leave you to **contemplate** how your mother will react to this news.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

3. **audacious:** Kirstin was so **audacious** as to take the pen out of the businessman's pocket and begin writing the check for him.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

4. **immunity:** Though all of the other children had either a cold, a flu, or both, Robert had developed an **immunity** to these illnesses and his play was unaffected

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

5. **shun:** Brian thought that parties were a waste of time, money, and energy, so he **shunned** these social events.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

6. **contradict:** Benjamin felt conflicted because the things he learned in science class **contradicted** what his momma had taught him on the swamp.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

7. **suppressed**: No matter how much Jerome felt like telling off the cranky lady, he knew he needed to keep this job so he **suppressed** the urge.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

8. **interval**: The period between when I graduated from a college and found employment is an **interval** that I do not remember so fondly.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

9. **omission**: Bobby told Suzy that he went to the party, but not that he went to the party with Brenda. Suzy is upset about this **omission**.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

10. **conspicuous**: The teacher doesn't mind if you chew gum or have a small snack, so long as you are not **conspicuous** with your consumption. If you put a bag of chips on your desk and start sharing them with everyone, he's going to take your chips.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

11. **adoration**: The movie star enjoyed the **adoration** of his millions of fans, but he also missed the days when he could just go to a neighborhood spot and get a burger without being encircled by a mob.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

12. **guile**: The sly fox showed his **guile** when he tricked the sparrow into drinking from the birdbath and then smashed him with a giant log.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?