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## Context Clues

1. I could not fathom why the Seattle Seahawks lost to the worst team in the league, but I guess football can be a little confusing at times.

Using the antonym clue, the word **fathom** in this sentence means

- A increase                       C boast  
 B win                                 D understand

2. Brian's project is supposed to oscillate, or swing, back and forth.

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

- A remain still                       C swing  
 B never move                       D rest

3. Sunlight can't shine through opaque objects like brick walls and wooden doors.

Using the example clue, the word **opaque** in this sentence means

- A transparent                       C clear  
 B thick                                 D thin

4. The husband was eminent in the field of medicine while the wife was famous in the field of math.

Using the comparison clue, the word **eminent** in this sentence means

- A nobody                               C unknown  
 B famous                               D not famous

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

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

- A heaven                               C paradise  
 B hotel                                 D prison

6. The game started out tedious, but it got exciting in the end when it was tied with three runners on base.

Using the contrast clue, the word **tedious** in this sentence means

- A awful                                 C boring  
 B fun                                     D slow

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7. The girls languidly put on their jackets as if they had no energy at all.

Using the comparison clue, the word **languidly** in this sentence means

A energetically

C actively

B quickly

D energy-less

8. Katie appeared infallible in math class because she had never gotten a problem wrong.

Using the explanation clue, the word **infallible** in this sentence means

A incorrect

C never wrong

B mistaken

D wrong

9. On Valentine's Day, Adam bought his girlfriend a ticket to see his favorite basketball team. This wasn't the amorous gift she was expecting.

Using the contrast clue, the word **amorous** in this sentence means

A romantic

C practical

B selfish

D useful

10. The audience appreciated the brevity of the final speech. Many of the others were quite lengthy.

Using the antonym clue, the word **brevity** in this sentence means

A dullness

C extended

B shortness

D entirety

11. The first performer couldn't capture the attention of the audience, but the second singer captivated them.

Using the comparison clue, the word **captivated** in this sentence means

A disillusioned

C captured

B disappointed

D lost

12. I felt sorry for the poor pathetic dog after he was dropped off along the road in the rain.

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

A sad

C happy

B cheerful

D joyful