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Context Clues

1. An edifice, such as the Empire State Building, can take years to build.

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

- A steel C coal mine
 B concrete wall D large building

2. 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 quickly C energy-less
 B actively D energetically

3. I had to stop and think about the unfathomable quote of the day.

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

- A deep or profound C simple
 B clear D easy

4. After the driver lost control of her automobile, the vehicle careened off the road. It went down a bank and slammed into a tree.

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

- A tidied C zigzagged
 B arranged D straightened

5. The lists comprise of seven rules, but talking while your mouth is open is not included.

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

- A value C summarize
 B brain D include

6. No matter what is going on in Mary's life, she always remains nonchalant, or calm.

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

- A bitter C angry
 B alive D calm

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Context Clues

7. Zack was a good at many sports. He excelled in swimming, running, horsemanship, fencing, and target shooting. He decided to compete in the pentathlon rather than having to choose one of the events.

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

- A competition with five events
- B competition with two events
- C competition with eight events
- D competition with ten events

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

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

- A shame
- B proud
- C happy
- D confident

9. Carol was gregarious while Rob liked to be alone.

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

- A silent
- B alone
- C sociable
- D solitary

10. The Amish are very humble people, unlike the uppity people in the surrounding communities.

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

- A relieved
- B spiteful
- C stuck-up
- D reformed

11. We heard the tabor, or small drum, sound throughout the forest.

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

- A textile
- B style
- C small drum
- D flute

12. The army attempted to thwart the enemy with a new plan of attack. Before the enemy realized what was happening, their forces became confused and frustrated. The army won the battle and stopped the enemy's advance.

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

- A permit
- B allow
- C sanction
- D hinder