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Reader's Workshop

Identify Synonyms Using Context Clues

Directions: Read the sentences. Use context clues to figure out the missing synonym.
Circle the correct synonym.

1. It was brave of Martin to climb to the top of the tree to save the cat.
Martin was _____.

afraid daring dishonest clumsy shy

2. The collector found two rare coins. She had never seen any like them before.
The coins were _____.

ordinary new uncommon large small

3. Traffic halted when the parade passed by.
Traffic _____.

crawled moved continued started stopped

4. Chris owns five snakes.
Chris likes _____.

insects reptiles poultry fish canines

5. We saw a deer with large antlers on its head.
Antlers are _____.

wings tusks tails horns hooves

6. The truck carried logs from the forest to the paper mill.
The truck carried _____.

timber paper stone sand garbage

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1. Sunnie's cat is buried in a pet cemetery near her house.
The _____ is near where Sunnie leaves.

hospital store field graveyard garden

2. The sisters argued over who should take out the garbage.
The sisters had a _____.

contest quarrel party plan hobby

3. Deserts are arid places. It's wise to carry water if you hike through a desert.
Deserts are _____.

cold rainy crowded wet dry

4. The woman's sudden loud scream caused Anna to jump back in surprise.
The woman's _____ startled Anna.

shriek whisper song joke smile

5. "Be original," said Ms. Peters. "Don't copy another writer's style."
Ms. Peters did not want her students to _____ other writers.

understand print draw imitate read

6. The seal popped its head above the water, then disappeared below the waves.
The seal _____ for a moment before disappearing.

barked hid emerged suddenly submerged