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Context Clues

Directions: Read the sentence and choose the meaning of the underlined word.

- 1. Be sure to allow <u>ample</u> time to finish your homework before baseball practice.
 - a) Enough
 - b) A portion
 - c) Estimate
 - d) Contain
- 2. I wanted to <u>embrace</u> the crying little girl to comfort her.
 - a) Reject
 - b) Relieve
 - c) Hug
 - d) Discipline
- 3. We have a new principal this year since Mrs. Smith <u>resigned</u>.
 - a) Voluntarily quit
 - b) Made to quite
 - c) Asked for a job
 - d) Needed help
- 4. Fruits and vegetables were **scarce** last year during the drought.
 - a) More than needed
 - b) Ripe and plump
 - c) In short supply
 - d) Abundant

- 5. The <u>nimble</u> gymnast jumped and turned flips across the floor with ease.
 - a) Quick and light in movement
 - b) Clumsy and slow
 - c) Quick and clumsy
 - d) Untalented
- 6. The protective mother bear refused to <u>abandon</u> her cubs as fire moved closer.
 - a) Protect
 - b) Keep
 - c) Leave
 - d) Move
- 7. Mary stopped to <u>browse</u> around the art supply store before the sale began.
 - a) Casually look around
 - b) Move things around
 - c) Hide things
 - d) Make a list
- 8. Jim's little sister loves to <u>pester</u> him and his friends while they practice.
 - a) Ignore
 - b) Spy on
 - c) Forget
 - d) Annoy