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## Context Clues: Definition Clues

A writer often explains the unknown word's meaning in the sentence itself.

**Example :** Baker mostly feels dull and cheerless during the cold and gloomy winters.

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**Directions:** Use the context clues in the sentence to help you determine the meaning of each underlined word. Circle the correct word.

1. My chirpy little sister is always talking.  
a) boring      b) unmannered      c) cheerful
2. No one can put up with his arrogant behavior. He is always telling self-praising stories.  
a) superior      b) friendly      c) helpful
3. Luke is mostly in grubby clothes. He cares the least for his messy look.  
a) fancy      b) washed      c) dirty
4. The insidious toddler was able to sneak into the cookie jar without being heard or seen.  
linked to obesity.  
a) sneaky      b) naughty      c) inactive
5. Stephanie was elated after winning the championship match. She could barely hold her happiness and started dancing in the court itself.  
a) mad      b) joyful      c) tired
6. My mom told me that the vase is fragile and can break easily.  
a) breakable      b) expensive      c) sturdy