

# Context Clues Worksheet

There are context clues or an explanation for unknown word within the sentence or in the sentence immediately after.

Example:

Mom **sterilize**, or clean, the baby's bottle.

Read the sentences carefully and then circle the explanation for the underlined word within each sentence.

Exercise 1

1. The children came upon a **gnarled**, twisted, tree in the woods.
2. If you do not **conquer** your fears, they will overcome you.
3. "You are annoying!" the cleaner yelled at the **pesky** boy.
4. The court sent the criminal straight to the **penitentiary**. He will be in prison for one year,
5. The child felt very **melancholy** after the sad news.
6. Marla listened **attentively**, and was able to hear everything her teacher said.
7. The family **resided** at the hotel, staying there for two months.
8. She was the most charming person, **captivating** many guests at the reception.
9. The climate here is **often** cool because of the frequent showers.
10. We will **begin** the lecture at 10:00 in the morning and start the conversation immediately.