

Context Clues with Explanations 1

Name: _____

Directions: Choose the best definition for the underlined word from the bottom of the page. Then write the context clues from the sentence that helped you figure the definition out.

- 1) The man was exonerated by a jury of his peers even though public opinion was not on his side as they booed him when he left the courthouse.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition? _____

- 2) The spy acted as a courier, carrying secret information between the United States and Europe.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition? _____

- 3) She was deluged with rain after walking from her car to the school without an umbrella.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition? _____

- 4) Bob's unpaid parking tickets accrued to the point they would have paid for his college tuition.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition? _____

- 5) The teacher appeased the students after the long test by giving them extra recess in the afternoon.

Definition: _____

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition? _____

Match the definitions with the words above:

a) drenching rain b) to free from blame c) to soothe d) gather overtime e) messenger