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1. The knight defeated his adversary, winning the princess's love.

Meaning: _____ Clues: _____

2. The teacher explained to Roger that it was wrong of him to coerce his friend into buying him tuckshop.

Meaning: _____ Clues: _____

3. Excited to use their sleds for the first time, the two boys hurried up the snow-covered knoll.

Meaning: _____ Clues: _____

4. The belligerent driver was again honking his horn and waving his arm angrily out the window.

Meaning: _____ Clues: _____

5. After Scott accidentally broke the neighbour's window, his mother made him use his savings to reimburse Mrs Fallon for the damage.

Meaning: _____ Clues: _____

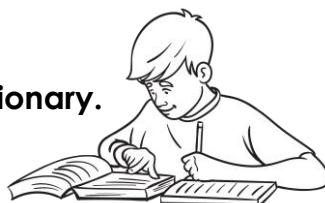
6. Donnie told his friends he visited Antarctica over the school holidays. Donnie was known for making up stories so they asked for photos to substantiate his story.

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7. The poor townsfolk grovelled at the feet of king, hoping for some bread to fill their hungry bellies.

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2. The malnourished dog wandered the streets alone, searching for something to eat; anything would do.

Meaning: _____ Clues: _____

3. TV commercials try to impel viewers to purchase their products.

Meaning: _____ Clues: _____

4. Having worked all through the night, Vivien felt she was entitled to a short break.

Meaning: _____ Clues: _____

5. Angry protesters chained themselves to trees, hoping to impede the workers who were there to clear the land.

Meaning: _____ Clues: _____

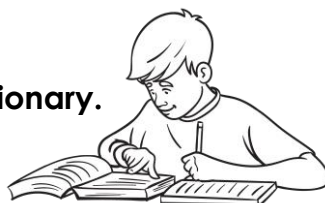
6. The proprietor of the shop made the tough decision to close his business after another bad year.

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7. It is the job of the police to catch those people who transgress the rules of society.

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2. So as not to wake the whole house up, the teenager had to circumvent the dog sleeping in the living room.

Meaning: _____ Clues: _____

3. Being frugal helped me to save \$40 this week.

Meaning: _____ Clues: _____

4. Having filled their quota, the fishermen reeled in the nets and started for home.

Meaning: _____ Clues: _____

5. After being knocked to the ground by hard tackle, the footballer got gingerly to his feet.

Meaning: _____ Clues: _____

6. Grant was incensed when he realised the TV he bought just last week had stopped working.

Meaning: _____ Clues: _____

7. The family searched for a new house with an ample backyard for their two energetic dogs.

Meaning: _____ Clues: _____

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