Context Clues

Grade 3 Reading Worksheet - Challenge Me

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Name _____ Date _____

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   can live

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   a synonym a definition an example an opposite

5. "Fresh water bubbled up from a spring at the bottom of the hill." Which meaning of spring fits this sentence?

   the season that comes after winter

   to jump up very quickly

   water rising from the ground

   a metal coil that bounces

6. Which sentence uses the word abundant correctly?

Food was abundant, so the hungry birds found nothing.

The abundant cookie jar had only one crumb left.

Apples were abundant in fall, so we filled ten baskets.

Water was abundant, so the plants dried up and died.

7. "Tim usually gobbles his lunch. Today he felt sick and refused even his favorite soup." What does refused mean?

finished warmed up spilled said no to

8. "Our neighbor's ferocious dog showed its sharp teeth to every person on the street." Which words help you know what ferocious means?

to every person showed its sharp teeth Our neighbor's on the street

9. "By dinnertime the hikers were famished, or extremely hungry." What kind of clue helps you know what famished means?

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10. "The old bridge was unstable. It swayed and creaked whenever a car drove across." What does unstable mean?

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