



Some people think English sheepdogs make great pets. These dogs are cute and often friendly. They need much care. Their long, **shaggy** coats must be brushed every day. The dogs need lots of love and must have space in which to run.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. In this story the word **shaggy** means  
A. hairy      B. sorry      C. tiny
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Roller coaster cars are hooked to a chain at first. A motor on the ground runs the chain. It pulls the cars to the top of the first hill. Then the cars are unhooked. When the cars roll downhill, they speed up. The cars slow down as they **coast** up the next hill. They speed up again as they go down it. Each hill is a bit lower than the last. The cars can't go up a hill that is as high as the one they just came down.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. In this story the word **coast** means  
A. move      B. park      C. leak
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Stevie Wonder was blind from birth. This did not **prevent** him from using his talent. He found that he was good with music. He learned how to play many instruments. He wrote his own songs. At the age of 12, he sang his first hit. Since then he has made many recordings. He has even written music for movies.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. In this story the word **prevent** means  
A. help      B. take      C. stop



The Chicago River is in Illinois. It goes through the city of Chicago. People used to dump their **trash** into the river. This dirty water flowed to a nearby lake. Soon the lake water was dirty. Then the people found a way to keep the lake clean. They built dams on the river. The dams forced the water to flow away from the lake. Now the lake water stays clean.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. In this story the word **trash** means  
A. banana      B. garbage      C. sign
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There's a special place in Michigan. It's a museum for children. The children come to learn about science. Some come from school. The museum sends a special truck for them. The children look at science **kits** during the ride. They look at rocks, models, and books.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. In this story the word **kits** means  
A. packages      B. organs      C. hills
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Forest rangers watch for a fire in the woods. They try to stop a fire before it spreads. But this is not an easy job. Most fires start where the woods are thick. There aren't any roads in the middle of the woods, so firefighters can't drive to the fire. They must **parachute** from a plane to get there.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. In this story the word **parachute** means  
A. shoot      B. refuse      C. jump

