

LESSON  
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Sherlock Holmes is a great detective, but he lives only in books. The **tales** about him have been written in 57 languages.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. In this paragraph, the word **tales** means
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|-----------|------------|
| A. places | C. stories |
| B. names  | D. pens    |

The most important part of a running shoe is the part under your foot. This bottom part must be thick and soft. That is so it will **cushion** your foot as you run. A good shoe can keep you running well for a long time.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. In this paragraph, the word **cushion** means
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| A. bring | C. protect |
| B. tie   | D. enter   |



Birds **perch** on a tree even while they sleep. Their toes grab the branch so they don't fall. Three toes point forward. One toe points backward. The toes lock tightly onto the branch.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. In this paragraph, the word **perch** means
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|--------|------------|
| A. fly | C. vanish  |
| B. sit | D. promise |

Doctors studied thousands of people. Some of the people spent most of their time alone. Many of these people had weak hearts. They were more likely to have a heart attack. Other people spent much time with their families and friends. Most of these **social** people had strong hearts.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. In this paragraph, the word **social** means
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|-------------|------------|
| A. lonely   | C. strange |
| B. friendly | D. sick    |



Car builders might make a new kind of car. The car will have a kind of **vision**. It will warn you if something is in your way. The car will be able to see a small child. It will be able to see a wall that is too close when you are parking.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. In this paragraph, the word **vision** means
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|----------|-----------|
| A. smell | C. sight  |
| B. light | D. window |

Sugar **arrived** in Europe hundreds of years ago. Traders brought it from the East. At first people used sugar as medicine. It was many years before people used sugar to make desserts.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. In this paragraph, the word **arrived** means
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|-------------|-----------|
| A. read     | C. nodded |
| B. appeared | D. tested |

Tears are good for your eyes. They wash away dirt and help keep germs out of your eyes. Tears **bathe** your eyes all the time to keep them from getting too dry.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. In this paragraph, the word **bathe** means
- |         |         |
|---------|---------|
| A. wash | C. kiss |
| B. dry  | D. lift |

The armadillo can swim across a river. It **gulps** air into its stomach to make it float. Then it just paddles toward the other side!

- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. In this paragraph, the word **gulps** means
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| A. heats | C. shakes   |
| B. plows | D. swallows |

