

VOCABULARY PRACTICE: ARMANDO'S GOAL



Directions: Read the passage below and answer the vocabulary questions that follow.

Armando **bolted** toward the car with excitement. Today was the day for which he had been waiting. He had finally earned enough money to buy all the supplies he would need for a dog. They were on their way to the animal shelter.

Armando had been completing extra **chores** around the house. He wanted to earn **additional** money. His parents told him that pets were **expensive**. It would cost a lot of money to get a dog crate, food and water bowls, a leash, and toys. His parents would pay for the food, but Armando was **responsible** for everything else.

He was the last one to get into the car. When he closed his door and buckled his seatbelt, he noticed that the car was not on. He heard his dad talking to his mom.

"Oh, no," his dad said. "It looks like the car won't start. What are we going to do?"

Armando's smile changed to a frown. It looked like today was not going to be the day he brought home a new dog. He was so **disappointed**.

1. What does **bolted** mean?

- a. ran quickly
- b. slowly walked
- c. yelled outside
- d. searched



4. What does **responsible** mean?

- a. to give it away
- b. to show respect to someone
- c. having the job to do something
- d. having the knowledge of pets



2. What does the word **chores** mean?

- a. hobbies
- b. small jobs
- c. games and events
- d. activities after school



5. What does **disappointed** mean?

- a. afraid
- b. eager
- c. to be angry
- d. to be unhappy about something



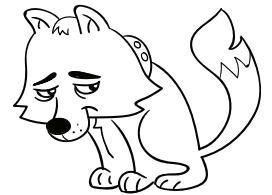
3. What is the meaning of **expensive**?

- a. costing a lot of money
- b. something to earn
- c. borrowed
- d. free



6. What is the meaning of **additional**?

- a. more than usual
- b. in charge
- c. exchange
- d. less



7. Which details from the text show that Armando is **motivated** to get a dog from the animal shelter? Cite evidence from the text to support your answer.

Answers may vary:

The text states that Armando had been doing extra chores for months. He wanted a dog and knew his parents would not pay for everything. He earned money to buy the things a dog needs. He wanted a dog very badly, so he worked hard to get one.