

How Do You Use Context Clues?

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Directions: Using context clues, choose the correct definition for the underlined words in each of the sentences below.

1. Beethoven began to compose new music on his piano before he turned 12.
 - a. to break down
 - b. to make up
 - c. to listen or hear
 - d. to read or understand
2. After it was robbed, the bank decided to suspend all of its activity until the police arrived.
 - a. to stop or put on hold
 - b. to send home
 - c. to hold up high
 - d. to resume or continue
3. I placed the delicate feather in a glass jar to preserve it for my collection.
 - a. display for a large audience
 - b. to collect
 - c. make jam or jelly
 - d. keep in safety and protect from harm
4. King George, the British monarch in 1765, opposed American independence.
 - a. a butterfly with orange and black coloring
 - b. a military general
 - c. a person who rules over a kingdom or empire
 - d. an important historical figure
5. Somehow, the sneaky rats have been able to evade all the traps we set.
 - a. to enter a place without permission
 - b. to avoid or dodge
 - c. to leave or exit
 - d. to be curious

Directions: Read each sentence below. Then, write a definition for the underlined words.

6. Jojo walked cautiously along the icy path so that she wouldn't fall.

Definition: _____

7. The magician knew he would astound his audience when he pulled a tiger from his hat.

Definition: _____