

Practice: The Red Baseball Cap

What does the underlined word mean? Read each sentence and try to determine the meaning of each underlined word or expression. Choices below.

1. The test will be hard, so we better study.
2. I am determined to win the swimming contest, so I practice every day.
3. After school we always hang around the park.
4. My sister yelled at me and then stormed out the door.
5. I tentatively tasted the vegetable soup.
6. I looked frantically for my lost wallet.
7. My friend was dejected because he couldn't find a summer job.
8. The thief decided to stop stealing and go straight.
9. The police stopped my mom because she was speeding.
10. I am suspicious of all salesmen.

Choices: [spend time - driving too fast - sad, depressed - carefully - become honest - should, have to - leave angrily - panicked - mistrusting - really want something]

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Match with the definition:

- rob
- piece of cake
- respectable
- hide-and-peek
- kidnap
- ransom
- conscience
- never mind
- choke
- pause
- gasp
- a noise you make when shocked or scared
- a little voice inside that tells you what is right and wrong
- very easy
- it's not important
- a game of searching for hidden children
- stop for a short time
- money you must pay a kidnapper to get a stolen child back
- having a good reputation
- to steal
- stealing a child
- when you can't breathe because of something stuck in your throat

Finish the sentences with these words:

[deeds - conscience - ransom - choke - fit - dazed]

1. This sweater is too small for me. It doesn't _____.
2. The kidnapper wanted a \$500 _____ for the little boy.
3. I like to do good _____, such as helping old people cook, clean, or work in their yards.
4. She looked _____ when she learned that she had a twin sister.
5. After I told a lie to my best friend, I had a guilty _____.
6. Don't eat too fast or you might _____!

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Finish the sentences with these words:

[tentatively - better - dejected - robbed - pause - gasped]

7. I had to _____ to rest for 10 minutes when we walked to the museum.
8. What's wrong? You look very _____ today.
9. I _____ when I saw the huge spider.
10. You _____ come home by 9:00 or your parents will be mad.
11. Our house was _____ last night, so now we don't have our TV, CD player, or jewelry.
12. I _____ approached the hurt dog.