Multiple Meaning Words

Grade 3

Name _____ Date _____

Remember: Some words have **more than one meaning**. A **bat** can be an animal or something you hit a ball with. Read the **whole sentence** to find the right meaning.

Clue words help: *The bat flew out of the cave* → flew and cave tell you it's the animal.



1. Which meaning?

Circle the meaning of the word in bold as it is used in the sentence.

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(a) a flying animal (b) a stick used to hit a ball

2. Mom wore a gold ring on her finger. (ring)

(a) the sound a bell makes (b) a band of jewellery

3. Leaves turn orange in the fall. (fall)

(a) the season before winter (b) to drop down

4. Please wave to Grandma from the window. (wave)

(a) a moving bump of water (b) to move your hand hello

5. The bark on the old tree was rough. (bark)

(a) the sound a dog makes (b) the outside of a tree trunk

6. We watched a play at the theatre. (play)

(a) a show on a stage (b) to have fun with toys

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2. Two meanings

Write two sentences for each word. Use a different meaning each time.

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Answer Key

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Answers will vary.

1. **light**
   The box is light. Please turn on the light.
2. **park**
   We played at the park. Dad will park the car.