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COMPREHENSION TECHNIQUES

Vocabulary in Context

Level I

1. Which of the underlined words means ' _____ ' ?
Circle either letter A or B.

There are many stories about extraordinary creatures which we
are strangely fascinated by, yet fear to be true.

A

B

2. Which of the underlined words means ' _____ ' ?
Circle either letter A or B.

Filled with dread, Simon walked behind his principal with
faltering steps.

A

B

3. The woman glanced around and when she thought that no one had noticed, slipped the bangle into her bag. The salespeople remained oblivious and continued chatting with one another. The woman walked quickly to the exit, eager to make her getaway.

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Level 2

4. The lady was clinging on to the window ledge for dear life. It was a long drop to the ground and she screamed loudly for help. Her fingers were becoming numb and she suddenly lost her grip.

Plunging down, the woman seemed to be done for when a caped crusader swooped in and saved her. After depositing her safely on the ground, the masked figure rounded up the villains and handed them over to the police.

"Superboy saves the day again!" yelled Wayne, jumping up onto the sofa and pumping his fist into the air. He never missed his favourite show and was always seated in front of the television by the time the familiar music came on.

(a) _____

(b) _____

(c) Find words in the paragraphs that are similar in meaning to the following words:

(i) _____ : _____

(ii) _____ : _____

(iii) _____ : _____

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Level 3

5. It had rained earlier in the day and the air was cool. When the whistle blew, Mike took off like a shot down the field, dribbling the ball as he ran. He passed it to his teammate who kicked it with all his might. Swoosh! It was a goal!

As the afternoon progressed, the score got very close and the game became more and more intense. They were tied for the championship and there was only one more minute on the clock. Some players began to play dirty, trying to win by any means necessary.

Determined to bring home the trophy, Mike intercepted the ball from one of the opposing team's players and headed towards the goalposts. Many people tried to stop him but he managed to evade them all. The spectators jumped up and down at their seats, all the while screaming their support.

(a)

(b) Find words in the paragraphs that are opposite in meaning to the following words:

(i) _____ : _____

(ii) _____ :

(c)
