

Part I — The Hearth and the Salamander (cont.)

II. Use the context to determine the meaning of the underlined word in each of the following sentences. Then compare your answer with a dictionary definition.

1. She mourned for her dead mother.

Your definition _____

Dictionary definition _____

2. Her sad expression reflected her melancholy mood.

Your definition _____

Dictionary definition _____

3. In letters to the local newspaper, people complained about the odious smell coming from the recycling plant.

Your definition _____

Dictionary definition _____

4. The band director addressed the cacophony in the music room by raising her hands for silence.

Your definition _____

Dictionary definition _____

5. The serenity of the old hotel relaxed us after the long trip.

Your definition _____

Dictionary definition _____

6. There are laws which prohibit the exploitation of children as laborers.

Your definition _____

Dictionary definition _____

7. The teacher's explanation clarified the difficult instructions.

Your definition _____

Dictionary definition _____

8. The ritual of cleansing one's hands is performed before prayers are spoken.

Your definition _____

Dictionary definition _____

9. The carpenter had a proclivity for working with wood even after he retired.

Your definition _____

Dictionary definition _____