

Context Clues: Multiple Choice

In each of these sentences, you will find an underlined word or group of words. Read the three choices and then decide which choice means about the same as the underlined word or words. Circle the letter of the answer.

1. The United States consists of fifty states, but Canada consists of eleven provinces and two territories.
 - a. buys
 - b. takes
 - c. has
2. During the bad weather last night, the children were very afraid of the bright lightning and the loud thunder.
 - a. sound
 - b. rain
 - c. weather
3. They had an argument yesterday, but now they are friends again.
 - a. big exam
 - b. fight of words
 - c. weather
4. I need a pencil sharpener because the point of my pencil is very dull.
 - a. boring
 - b. not sharp
 - c. not black
5. Kitchen appliances such as toasters, mixers and blenders are not usually very expensive.
 - a. cheap places
 - b. small machines.
 - c. various spices.
6. At a dinner party last night, I spilled a glass of water all over the table. I was so embarrassed.
 - a. I felt good
 - b. I felt stupid
 - c. I felt happy
7. Sally wants to work in Japan or Saudi Arabia next year. She really wants to work abroad.
 - a. at home
 - b. in another country
 - c. near the desert
8. The last president was not good, and the next president may or may not be good. However, the current president is doing a very good job.
 - a. now
 - b. last
 - c. next

9. The car accident occurred at seven o'clock.
- a. happened
 - b. saw
 - c. finished
10. Near the east and west coasts, there are mountains, but the central part of the United States is flat.
- a. no rivers
 - b. no mountains
 - c. no trees