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"Alone in the apartment while Mama was out shopping with Kirsti, Annemarie and Ellen were sprawled on the living room floor playing with paper dolls."



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"She took her new shoes, holding them disdainfully, and put them on a chair."

- a. Kirsti admired the shoes and couldn't wait to wear them.
 - b. Kirsti was proud of her new shoes.
 - c. Kirsti seemed to dislike the shoes and put them down as if they were unpleasant.
 - d. Kirsti was confused by the shoes and didn't understand how to put them on.
3. What is the meaning of the word **belligerently**?

"Kirsti drew herself up, her small shoulders stiff. 'I did too,' she said belligerently."

- a. acting worried or anxious
- b. acting curious
- c. acting or speaking in an excited way
- d. acting or speaking in an angry or ready-to-fight way

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4. What is the meaning of the word **synagogue**?

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- a. a place of worship for Jewish people
- b. a marketplace where families buy food
- c. a community center for parties and celebrations
- d. a school where children learn about different religions



- c. eagerly
- d. devotedly

6. What does the word **imperious** show about Ellen's gesture?

"Ellen stood on tiptoe again, and made an imperious gesture with her arm."

- a. It was shy and uncertain.
- b. It was playful and silly.
- c. It was commanding.
- d. It was gentle and unhurried.

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- a. bold and confident
- b. careful or uncertain
- c. excited and energetic
- d. quiet and secretive



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- a. She disagreed with Papa once in a while.

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