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examples: A parked car is a **stationary** vehicle.
The sun is a **stationary** object in our solar system.

Stationery refers to writing paper, often including matching envelopes.

examples: Mrs. Acker wrote a thank-you note on flowery **stationery**.
I bought a Christmas **stationery** set at the local craft fair.

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4. Mr. Sokolov jotted a note down on some _____ he had on his desk.

5. Carmela ordered _____ with her initials on each card.

6. Luis' dad has a _____ bike that he uses to exercise.

7. The flag is in a _____ position today because there is no wind.

8. I opened the envelope and there was a lovely piece of _____ inside.

9. The boat is tied up at the dock so that it remains _____.

10. Since Miss Bertrand works in an office, she is _____ for most of the day.

ANSWER KEY

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