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1. ___ Cassidy and Jade are this year’s **winners** of the art competition.

5. ___ Something in this room smells **terrible**.

6. ___ Oops, I left the open cat food **can** on the table.

7. ___ The cat looks **hungry**.

8. ___ Do you play an **instrument**?

9. ___ My brother became a bass **guitarist** after years of hard work.

10. ___ The loud music shook the **walls** of the concert hall.
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