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6.	Oops, I left the open cat food <u>can</u> on the table.
7.	The cat looks <u>hungry</u> .
8.	Do you play an <u>instrument</u> ?
9.	My brother became a bass <u>guitarist</u> after years of hard work.
10.	The loud music shook the <u>walls</u> of the concert hall.

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