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3. Not secure – 6. Not mature; childish –

Part 2: Complete the sentence using a word with the correctly spelled **in-** prefix that matches the definition given.

- 7. The fridge is too heavy; it's completely ______! (not movable)
- 8. They got in trouble for doing _____ activities. (not legal)
- 9. I had a lot of _____ answers on my test. (not correct)
- 10. The criminal was ______. (put in prison)
- 11. _____ gut bacteria can make you sick. (not balanced)
- 12. The delicious cookies were _______. (not resistible)

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