



Context Clues: 6th Grade

DIRECTIONS: Read the passage. Then circle the best meaning for each bold word.

It's a good thing we were the ones to find the **relic**. If this ancient treasure had fallen into the hands of some **malicious** actor, it would have been a **catastrophe** for history. We **calculate** it must be several thousands of years old. It's **composition** seems to be metal. We have made **tentative** plans to turn it over to a museum after we have completed our studies. First, we need to **confer** with some other experts in the field.

- _____ 1. **relic** means: A. modern B. antiquity
- _____ 2. **malicious** means: A. well meaning B. not well meaning
- _____ 3. **catastrophe** means: A. a good thing B. a bad thing
- _____ 4. **calculate** means: A. figure out B. guess
- _____ 5. **composition** means: A. make up B. effect
- _____ 6. **tentative** means: A. firm B. possible
- _____ 7. **confer** means: A. consult B. avoid