



Precise Meanings

DIRECTIONS: Write the letter of the sentence in each pair that uses a word with the most appropriate precise meaning.

- _____ 1. A He hasn't taken up a plausible position.
_____ B He hasn't taken up a tenable position.
- _____ 2. A We were met with a panorama of utter desolation.
_____ B We were met with a scene of utter desolation.
- _____ 3. A I don't dare challenge his jurisdiction.
_____ B I don't dare challenge his authority.
- _____ 4. A These were not rational rules.
_____ B These were not cogent rules.
- _____ 5. A My brother has a great renown at school.
_____ B My brother has a great reputation at school.
- _____ 6. A The flowers languished in the hot, dry weather.
_____ B The flowers wilted in the hot, dry weather.
- _____ 7. A Most of the houses here are vacant.
_____ B Most of the houses here are hollow.