

# Understanding words

## Test 1



Remember:

- Find and underline the word or phrase in the text.
- Read the sentence with the word or phrase in it and those around it.
- Say the answer word in the sentence to see if it makes sense.
- Check all possible answers before making a decision.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

1. What does the word **streaks** mean? (Paragraph 2)

- (a) to run fast                      (b) bands of colour  
(c) talk                                (d) a piece of meat              The best meaning is .

2. What does the word **spectacles** mean? (Paragraph 2)

- (a) glasses                          (b) trees  
(c) exercise                        (d) act silly                        The best meaning is .

3. What does the word **gnarled** mean? (Paragraph 3)

- (a) growl                              (b) funny  
(c) twisted                            (d) a type of dress              The best meaning is .

4. What does the word **wary** mean? (Paragraph 4)

- (a) happy                              (b) win  
(c) fight                                (d) worried                        The best meaning is .

5. Explain why the writer said that Granny Nell's glasses were 'like little canaries on a branch in a cage'. (Paragraph 2)

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