



## **Word Sleuth**

**Directions**: Read each sentence and the dictionary entry below it. Choose which definition (1, 2, or 3) fits the way the word is used in the sentence. Write the correct number on the line.

1.) The **seal** balanced a colorful ball on its nose.

seal (noun)

- 1. a sea animal with flippers
- 2. a symbol or stamp used to show something is official
- 3. to close tightly so nothing leaks
  - 2.) Please don't **tear** the page out of your notebook.

tear (verb/noun)

- 1. to move quickly
- 2. a drop of salty liquid from your eye
- 3. to pull apart or rip
  - 3.) I had to **watch** my little brother while Mom cooked dinner.

watch (noun/verb)

- 1. a small clock you wear on your wrist
- 2. to look at or pay attention to something
- 3. a group of guards protecting an area

4.) The **bark** of the old tree was rough.

bark (noun/verb)

- 1. the outer covering of a tree
- 2. the sound a dog makes
- 3. to speak loudly and sharply
  - 5.) We will **park** the car near the playground.

park (noun/verb)

- a place with grass and trees for people to play
- 2. to stop and leave a vehicle
- 3. to rest or settle in one spot
  - 6.) The baby started to **wave** at everyone passing by.

wave (noun/verb)

- a sudden rush or increase of something
- 2. a ridge of water that moves across the sea
- 3. to move your hand back and forth

