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Context Clue Sentences

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Definition _____

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2. **Eternity:** The movie was four hours long and took what seemed like an **eternity** before it ended – we were so bored.

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3. **Reflection:** The mom asked her daughter to behave well in public, since the daughter's behavior was a **reflection** on the mother's capability.

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4. **Courage:** The boy showed **courage** when he stood up to the school bully on the playground.

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5. **Spire:** The **spire** on top of the church was so tall that it stuck up above the rooftops surrounding the church for all to see.

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ANSWER KEY

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Definition ___willingness to keep trying even when you don't succeed___

Context Clues ___the girl kept building a tower even when the first one fell over

2. **Eternity:** The movie was four hours long and took what seemed like an **eternity** before it ended – we were so bored.

Definition ___forever, a very long time___

Context Clues ___the movie was four hours long, the people got bored

3. **Reflection:** The mom asked her daughter to behave well in public, since the daughter's behavior was a **reflection** on the mother's capability.

Definition the image of someone or something else___

Context Clues the mom thought that the daughter's image would impact her image

4. **Courage:** The boy showed **courage** when he stood up to the school bully on the playground.

Definition ___bravery, fortitude___

Context Clues ___he stood up to the bully

5. **Spire:** The **spire** on top of the church was so tall that it stuck up above the rooftops surrounding the church for all to see.

Definition ___tall point on top of a building___

Context Clues ___it towered over everything else, it was on top of a church