كلية العلوم الفرقه الثالثه مادة اللغه الاوربيه الحديثه المحاضره الاولي د\ جيهان سامى البسيونى

Exercises p.127

Read the following sentences and try to choose the best definition of the italized word by searching for context clues in the sentence.

- 1-the doctor got to the *crux* of the issue.
- a- outline
- b- opposite
- c- crucial point
- d- unhealthy
- 2-when people heard that timid Bob had taken up skydiving, they were *incredulous*.
- a-fearful
- b- outraged
- c- convinced

- d- disbelieving
- 3- the technical department enthusiastically hired Ms. Long because she was *proficient* in the use of computers.
- a-sincere
- b- adequate
- c- competent
- d-skilled
- 4- even under tremendous public pressure, the planning committee would not commit itself wholeheartedly to the proposal and gave only *tentative* approval to the waterfront development plan.
- a-provisional
- b-ambiguous
- c-unnecessary
- d-total
- 5-the preacher used a *euphemism* for an unpleasant subject.
- a-ugly picture
- b- substituted word
- c- homeless person
- d- visual aid
- 6- since the townspeople were so dissatisfied, various methods to *alleviate* the situation were debated.
- a-ease
- b-tolerate
- c-clarify
- d-intensify

Key Answers:

1-c

The word crux is related to cross, and refers to the point where two things intersect.

2-d

When one is incredulous, one is skeptical

3-d

When one is proficient at something, one is an expert or is skilled at it.

4-a

When something is tentative, it is of uncertain or provisional nature.

5-b

A euphemism is a pleasant word or phrase used in place of an unpleasant or offensive word.

6-a

To alleviate something is to make it more bearable or to ease.

Difficult Words:

Outline: الخطوط العريضه

Crucial point: النقطه الحرجه

Outraged: غاضب

adequate:مناسب

Skilled: ماهر

Euphemism: کنایه

Homless: بلامأوي

Thank You