**Eng 9: Writing Definitions**

**from Context Clues (#2)**

Directions: For each highlighted word, write a definition that fits the context of the passage. Then, check your answers by looking the words up in the dictionary.

1. “What are You, my God? I thought angrily… What does Your **grandeur** mean, Master of the Universe, in the face of all this cowardice, this decay, and this misery?”

*Define* ***grandeur*** *using context****:***

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*Dictionary definition of* ***grandeur:***

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2. “In those days, I fully believed that the **salvation** of the world depended on every one of my deeds, on every one of my prayers.”

*Define* **salvation** *using context****:***

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*Dictionary definition of* **salvation*:***

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3. “But now, I no longer pleaded for anything. I was no longer able to **lament**. On the contrary, I felt very strong.”

*Define* **lament** *using context****:***

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*Dictionary definition of* **lament*:***

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4. “One more hour. Then we would know the verdict: death or **reprieve**.”

*Define* **reprieve** *using context****:***

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*Dictionary definition of* **reprieve*:***

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5. “He was still trying to smile. A poor **emaciated** Jew questioned him anxiously, his voice trembling: ‘But…sir. They did write me down!’”

*Define* **emaciated** *using context****:***

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*Dictionary definition of* **emaciated*:***

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6. “Now, it no longer mattered that the work was hard. All that mattered was to be far from the block, far from the **crucible** of death, from the center of hell.”

*Define* **crucible** *using context****:***

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*Dictionary definition of* **crucible*:***

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7. “Next to me lay a Hungarian Jew suffering from **dysentery**. He was skin and bones, his eyes were dead.”

*Define* **dysentery** *using context****:***

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*Dictionary definition of* **dysentery*:***

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