

# 2 DEFINITIONS

- Read the words and definitions in the box. Each entry word appears in one of the sentences below. *Think:* Which meaning does the word have in the sentence? • Circle the letter of the group of words that best explains the meaning of the underlined word in the sentence.

**chair** (chāer) *n.*, a seat having four legs and a back. *v.*, to lead a discussion.

**emp-ty** (emp' tē) *adj.*, containing nothing or no one. *v.*, to remove the contents of.

**rare** (rāer) *adj.*, 1. cooked so that the inside is still red. 2. uncommon.

**trail** (trāel) *n.*, a path or track. *v.*, to lag or drag behind.

- The scientists found many rare birds and animals on the islands.
  - not true
  - not common
  - not cooked
- The members chose Joan's mother to chair the community meeting.
  - to build a seat
  - to lead a discussion
  - to sit
- They left a trail of bread crumbs to mark the way out.
  - box
  - path
  - seat
- After we drank all the soda, we recycled the empty bottles.
  - not full
  - not true
  - full

## Instructions for Student Page 28

Have students do the following:

- Read the words and their definitions in the box. Then read the sentences.
- Use the definitions to figure out the meaning of the underlined word in each sentence.
- Read the groups of words that follow each sentence.
- Circle the letter of the choice that could best replace the underlined word.

When students have completed their analyses, ask volunteers to explain the thinking they used to figure out which word or words best explained the meaning of the underlined word.

## Answers for Student Page 28

- b. not common
- b. to lead a discussion
- b. path
- a. not full



**Curriculum Connection**

Science: Into Your Home – On the board or a duplicating master, make a three-column chart. Label the middle column *Entry Word*. Under this heading, print a list of unusual animals or animals that live in a country the class is currently studying. Ask students to build a home for each creature by writing the guide words that the dictionary shows on the page where that animal is an entry word.

INTO YOUR HOME		
Guide Word	Entry Word	Guide Word
	Florida panther	
	flamingo	
	manatee	