

# Homonyms

In each of the sentences below, the same word is used in different sentences with different meanings and as different parts of speech (mainly nouns and verbs). Give a word or phrase in the blank to explain the meaning of the underlined word.

- 1 There is a red mark on one of Peter's arms. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Can a soldier fight an enemy without arms and ammunition? \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Today's military planes are armed with modern equipment. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Armed with facts and figures, the committee began their discussion. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 Don't go near the armed robber who might hurt you. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 The old man slipped and fell on his back. \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 Don't worry! Go ahead! We will back you up. \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 A new motorist may find it difficult to back his car into this narrow parking lot. \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 Don't criticise a person behind his back. \_\_\_\_\_
- 10 The back issues of a journal may be hard to come by. \_\_\_\_\_

**Answer Key:**  
1 upper limbs  
2 weapons  
3 fitted  
4 Equipped/Prepared  
5 having weapons

6 back side of the body  
7 support  
8 move backwards  
9 without his knowledge  
10 past