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**Read the following passage and then answer the questions 1-2.**

**A Bird-Watcher’s Favorite**

 You sit on a park bench and watch a small bird fly from flower to flower on a nearby bush. When you look closer, you see the rapidly fluttering wings and long, narrow beak. You are watching a humming bird, the world’s smallest bird and a favorite among bird-watchers.

 Hummingbirds are named for the humming sound their wings make. Their bright, rainbow-colored wings are beautiful. They beat about 50 times per second, making them very hard to see. Hummingbirds can fly forward, backward, and upside down. In addition to eating the sweet liquids inside flowers, they also eat insects. Hummingbirds must eat every ten minutes all day. They need food to keep up the great amount of energy they use to fly.

1. In the phrase, “rapidly fluttering wings,” what does fluttering mean?

 A. striped B. very large C. moving slowly D. moving quickly

2. What context clue did you use from the phrase above to help define the word fluttering?

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**Read the following passage and then answer the questions 3-5.**

**How to Use a Computer**

 Computers are helpful machines, but they can be confusing. With a little bit of instruction, you can usually avoid problems.

 You have probably typed a letter or report before. Here are a few hints. You should always save your report as soon as you begin. Sometimes the screen freezes. Then it is too late to save your work. If you have already saved your work, you will not lose it when you restart your computer. Make sure to use spell-check, too!

 Many people use computers to send e-mail and search the Internet. There are countless Web sites full of information. You can read the news, check the weather, and say hello to friends. You can go to a search engine and type in any word. To avoid endless surfing, it is important to know what you are searching for before you begin. There is so much to look at and read on the Internet!

3. In this article freezes means?

 A. turns cold B. hardens C. locks up D. flashes.

4. According to the article, you should avoid endless surfing on the Internet. What does surfing

 mean?

 A. emailing your friends B. riding a surfboard C. looking at websites D. fixing your computer

5. What context clue did you use from the phrase above to help define the word surfing?

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