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   Explain: You use a pen to write and you use a shovel to dig.

1. Advance is to retreat as appear is to ____________.
   withdraw  live  vanish  advance
   Explain: ____________________________________________

2. Cat is to mouse and spider is to ____________.
   dog    rat    fly    lizard
   Explain: ____________________________________________

3. Giraffe is to spots as zebra is to ____________.
   runs    stripes    wild    animal
   Explain: ____________________________________________

4. Author is to pen as artist is to ____________.
   writer    paint    hair    brush
   Explain: ____________________________________________

5. Triangle is to three as pentagon is to ____________.
   shape  five  corners  building
   Explain: ____________________________________________

6. Hungry is to eat as thirsty is to ____________.
   food    water    drink    cola
   Explain: ____________________________________________

7. Small is to miniscule as large is to ____________.
   big    tiny    gigantic    larger
   Explain: ____________________________________________
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   - withdraw
   - live
   - vanish
   - advance
Explain: both are antonyms

2. Cat is to mouse and spider is to ________________.
   - dog
   - rat
   - fly
   - lizard
Explain: both show a predator and its prey

3. Giraffe is to spots as zebra is to _________________.
   - runs
   - stripes
   - wild
   - animal
Explain: both describe the animal’s coat pattern

4. Author is to pen as artist is to _________________.
   - writer
   - paint
   - hair
   - brush
Explain: an author uses a pen and an artist uses a brush

5. Triangle is to three as pentagon is to _________________.
   - shape
   - five
   - comers
   - building
Explain: reflects the number of sides each shape has

6. Hungry is to eat as thirsty is to _________________.
   - food
   - water
   - drink
   - cola
Explain: you eat when hungry and you drink when thirsty

7. Small is to miniscule as large is to _________________.
   - big
   - tiny
   - gigantic
   - larger
Explain: both advance to more detailed descriptions

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