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Understanding Figurative Meaning

DIRECTIONS: Read each sentence below. Use context clues to determine what the word means. Write the definition on the lines

1. Her reputation was tarnished when she got caught helping her best friend cheat on the exam.

WORD OR PHRASE	WHAT DO YOU THINK IT MEANS?	KIND OF FIGURATIVE LANGUAGE
tarnished		

2. From the outside, their relationship looked sweet, simple and harmonious. No one could believe it when they announced their intentions to divorce.

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harmonious		

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3. Even in preschool, Amelia was the aristocrat of the playground.

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aristocrat		

4. Norma barely survived her season of fashion famine.

WORD OR PHRASE	WHAT DO YOU THINK IT MEANS?	KIND OF FIGURATIVE LANGUAGE
famine		

