Which Uses It?

Consonance is the repetition of similar consonant sounds close together within a word, phrase or sentence. The words have to be close together in order for the repetition to be noticeable. While alliteration is the repetition of the first letter of each word, consonance can appear anywhere within a word, and often appears at the end.

EXAMPLE:  She sells sea shells down by the sea shore
            *Each of the underlined words contain the s sound.*

            Mandy drinks from her Monday mug.
            *Each of the underlined words contain the m sound.*

DIRECTIONS: Read each set of phrases. Circle the one that uses consonance.

1. Please be nice          Hope for ripe peppers
2. Sit below the deck      Gigi’s rig is big
3. I harbor a fear of roller coasters Karen raves about the Panthers
4. That dog wears a collar  Ben sends ten dollars
5. Tom roams through time   Peter is tall and mean
6. Wanda is riding a wide road  That sandwich I ate was great
7. It’s a slow floating balloon  A rip at the nape
8. It’s raining in Texas again  Cast a glass design
9. The early bird catches the worm  Keep your wiping rope
10. Jake, come back        I left my coat at school