DIRECTIONS: Read each sentence. Decide what the word means based on clues from the sentence or knowledge you already have. Then explain what it was that helped you find the meaning of the word.

1. My father’s **untimely** death put is in a really bad financial position.

   What does it mean? _________________________________________________________

2. I was hoping this meeting might be **abbreviated**, since we have less time today than we usually do.

   What does it mean? _________________________________________________________

3. Abstinence is the best form of birth control, but it is hard because it requires that people not do something that they want to do.

   What does it mean? _________________________________________________________

4. I thought that if you also got an after-school job, it would enhance your college application.

   What does it mean? _________________________________________________________

5. As expected, the mural we painted on the side of the school in the middle of the night was dubbed graffiti and earned only **censure**.

   What does it mean? _________________________________________________________

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