Understanding Homonyms

Name: ____________________________________________

Homonyms are words that sound alike and have different meanings.

Directions: Underline the sentence that has the same meaning as the original sentence.

1. The **bass** was the best that I have eaten for a long time
   A. I hear that the group has a new bass player.
   B. We will try to catch some bass when we go out to sea.

2. The **bear** was eating the banana in the trash can.
   A. I think the bear was running very fast.
   B. I cannot bear to see the food ruined.

3. The **bases** were the foundation of the structure.
   A. I know that these were bases scattered in the four countries where the soldiers were assigned.
   B. We will need to start at the bases which mark the beginning.

4. Helen was able to get a **band** to play music at her wedding.
   A. I hear that the band on the finger is a good sign.
   B. I think I will form a music band.

5. The **beat** of the music was all I heard as I walked down the street.
   A. I was able to beat the iron into shape.
   B. We will try to create a beat to match the dance we will perform tonight.

6. The **fair** woman was the first person to arrive.
   A. I hear that the players get fair treatment if they come before the other groups.
   B. I recognized the fair girl who came into the room.

7. The **bat** was the only thing that the boy used to knock down the stick.
   A. I will use a bat to hit the ball and this will help me win the baseball game.
   B. There was a bat with bright eyes inside the cave.