Look Around! Meaning in Context

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A. stamp	B. prohibition	C. ad	D. tax		
3. The scared rock climber balanced <u>precariously</u> on the edge of the cliff.					
A. gracefully	B. lazily	C. dangerously	D. hopefully		
4. We often travel to New England in the autumn to see the bright colors of the fall <u>foliage</u> .					
A. hurricane	B. plays	C. snow	D. leaves		
5. Each student was allotted two tickets to the dance.					
A. allowed	B. joyful	C. taken	D. fed		
6. The mood was <u>somber</u> at the funeral of the former president.					
A. shyly	B. serious	C. hungry	D. plenty		
7. The country cottage was just outside the quaint and <u>picturesque</u> town.					
A. charming	B. running	C. ruined	D. perhaps		
8. When he didn't understand the instructions, the student asked the teacher to <u>clarify</u> them.					
A. remove	B. call	C. explain	D. stop		
9. The impudent boy was rude to the policeman.					
A. handsome	B. carefully	C. poor	D. bold		
10. Cold rain fell all day, making it a <u>dismal</u> Saturday afternoon.					
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