

Allusions

The allusion in each sentence has been identified. Read the allusion, and check the option that explains its meaning.

- 1) When the minister came, people parted like red sea.
 - a) They opened up a way for him to go.
 - b) They ran away in fear of him.
 - 2) Mr. Green's reply to our question was doublethink.
 - a) He thought twice before he answered.
 - b) He seemed to believe two opposite things.
 - 3) Kurt couldn't stand being scapegoated again.
 - a) He didn't want to be asked to bring in a goat.
 - b) He didn't want to be blamed for someone else's fault.
 - 4) After three defeats, the writing is on the wall for the team.
 - a) It is going to become very difficult for the team.
 - b) The team will bounce back soon.
 - 5) Mike ate the lion's share of the pizza.
 - a) He ate the smallest portion.
 - b) He ate the largest portion.
 - 6) Jo never drinks unhealthy beverages; she's content with Adam's ale.
 - a) She drinks water.
 - b) She drinks lemonade.
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