WHAT IS A CONTEXT SENTENCE?

A context sentence is one that gives a word and its meaning in the same sentence.

Example:

The answering machine message was so inane that I could not get any meaning from it.

Inane is the word; could not get any meaning is the meaning.

Not-So-Good Examples of Context Sentences:

- Inane means to not have any meaning.
- I left an inane or meaningless message.

These are not true context sentences. A sentence like this will result in you having to do them over until you get them done correctly. As time passes, you will no longer be able to correct them and will just not receive credit for them. (That means a zero for those that do not count.)

TIPS FOR WRITING GOOD CONTEXT SENTENCES

One easy strategy is to use a compound sentence. A compound sentence is two little sentences joined with a conjunction or a semi-colon. Here’s an example:

My mother didn’t think the movie was inane, but I could not figure out what it was supposed to be about.

My mother didn’t think the movie was inane ; I could not figure out what it was supposed to be about.