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| Look up the word allegory in the dictionary, then explain the obvious difference between allegory and alligator . |
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| Here are some malapropisms for you to correct – draw a circle around the word that is used incorrectly, then rewrite the sentence using the correct word. |
| There are three angels in a triangle. |
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| We decided to sign the partition. |
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| I am pleased to except this prize. |
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| The brakes on a bike work by fraction. |
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| The jugular prepared to pounce. |
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| Now find the meanings of the words you circled, and write them here. |
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