

# Examine the Evidence

Expose the correct synonym for each underlined word.

1. This Composer had many enemies lurking in the orchestra.  
a) performing      **b) sneaking**      c) eating
2. With an intelligent if somewhat flamboyant gesture, he reached into his pocket and took out his notebook.  
a) flammable      **b) showy**      c) thoughtful
3. First, I will interrogate the strings!  
a) lock-up      b) listen to      **c) question**
4. The Cellos and Basses are often weary from dragging their large bodies around.  
a) strengthened      b) energized      **c) tired**
5. "Cellos and Basses are providing accompaniment," they said.  
a) help      **b) instrumental back-up**      c) friendship
6. Violas play crucial countermelodies that nobody hears.  
a) mean      b) trivial      **c) important**
7. The Concertmaster is the best violin player, and is often accused of treachery.  
**a) deception**      b) honesty      c) cleverness
8. "The color is very flattering," said the Oboes.  
**a) beautiful**      b) ugly      c) unusual
9. "Last night was very important for us," proclaimed the Trumpets very loudly with a certain arrogant rudeness.  
a) humble      b) loud      **c) stuck-up**
10. Our ears are still ringing from all the ruckus.  
a) water      b) bells      **c) commotion**
11. We conquered the concert, battered the band, agitated the audience, and rattled the roof.  
**a) excited**      b) upset      c) soothed
12. Were you involved in these distasteful shenanigans?  
**a) pranks**      b) parties      c) meals
13. I'm utterly baffled.  
a) relieved      b) defeated      **c) confused**