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Definition of somewhat: in some measure, rather

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to remedy being tired, you can sleep for a short while, take a nap

2. His careless **attitude** to studying explains his poor grades.

Definition of attitude: a way of feeling or thinking about something

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

The poor grades are a result of his careless thinking about learning and not spending enough time on studying

3. One of the goals of the United Nations is to **maintain** international peace and security.

Definition of maintain: to continue; keep in existence

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

The UN is the global organization that brings together countries around the world to confront common challenges - one of those is to keep peace around the world

4. The driver **decreased** her speed as she approached the curve.

Definition of decreased: the amount by which something becomes less

What clues in the sentence lead you to your definition?

You need to lessen the speed when you go around a curve, or you'll tip over