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Presently after, I came by a house where a shepherd lived. I got a rough direction for the neighborhood of Cramond. I worked my way to westward, till I came out upon the Glasgow road. And there, to my great pleasure and wonder, I beheld a regiment marching, every foot in time. An old red-faced general on a grey horse was at the one end, and at the other the company of Grenadiers. The pride of life seemed to mount into my brain at the sight of the red coats and the hearing of that merry music.

Match the Meaning

Use the words in the text to understand the meaning of the underlined words. Find the letter of the word on the right which has a similar meaning as the word or phrase on the left. Write the letter in the blank.

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| _____ 2. midst | B. oven |
| _____ 3. descent | C. tell the difference |
| _____ 4. kiln | D. saw |
| _____ 5. anchored | E. general |
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