

## All Business

**Directions:** Find the meaning of each underlined word in the business report below. Put the letter of the answer on the blank line. Use the definitions box to help you.

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| A. making or earning money           | D. across a continent        |
| B. to move from one place to another | (such as Africa or Europe)   |
| C. to stop                           | E. a telling about something |

1. \_\_\_\_\_ “Thank you, ladies and gentlemen. My <sup>1</sup>report will be very brief. I  
 2. \_\_\_\_\_ have looked carefully at our company, and it is clear to me that it simply  
 3. \_\_\_\_\_ isn’t <sup>2</sup>profitable for us to keep shipping our products across North  
 4. \_\_\_\_\_ America using our <sup>3</sup>transcontinental railroad lines. Therefore, we should  
 5. \_\_\_\_\_ <sup>4</sup>discontinue using them. We would be better off using planes and trucks  
 to <sup>5</sup>transport whatever we sell. That’s all I have to say. Any questions?”

Directions: Spell each new word three times.

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| 1. report           | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 2. profitable       | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 3. transcontinental | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 4. discontinue      | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 5. transport        | _____ | _____ | _____ |

**Activity:** Match each idea to the best new word. Put the letter of the idea on the line next to the word.

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| _____ 1. report           | A. Our company ships goods from one town to the next.                |
| _____ 2. profitable       | B. Our company ships goods from New York to California.              |
| _____ 3. transcontinental | C. Our company ships goods that make thousands of dollars.           |
| _____ 4. discontinue      | D. Our company has stopped making these goods.                       |
| _____ 5. transport        | E. This will explain why our company has stopped making these goods. |