## **Reading Vocabulary Lesson 5-1**

- **Monitor** (MON ih tur) v. to watch over or check on (p. 546) The author decided to monitor her daughter's electronic conversation.
- **Decipher** (dih SY fur) v. to figure out the meaning of (p. 546) The daughter's spelling was hard to decipher.
- Atrocious (uh TROH shus) adj. very bad; terrible; horrible (p. 547) The mother thinks her daughter's spelling is atrocious.
- **Poised** (poyzd) adj. in a position of being ready (p. 548) Her hands were poised to begin typing.