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astonished means

- a. amazed
- b. disappointed
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The garden looked **neglected** because no one had watered the flowers.

neglected means

- a. simple
- b. healthy
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The homework I forgot about last night was **incomplete** when I turned it in.

incomplete means

- a. finished
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I was **bewildered** when I was trying to figure out what happened to the missing cookie.

bewildered means

- a. confused
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- a. exit
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- a. seldom
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ANSWER KEY

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