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Use this word bank to fill in the blanks

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2. AccordingtotheFBILabDirectorthemostimportantqualityofthelabisto ensure that the evidence is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and contamination free.

Serology bullets DNA training Bertillon human Quantico secure polygraph fingerprint art first terrorism fool  
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Firearms & Tool Marks Unit  
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items.

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which provides the explosive force.

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