

Pip's Powerful Word Swap

Learning objective: To expand vocabulary by replacing common, overused adjectives with more precise and descriptive synonyms.

Pip the caterpillar has found a story, but it feels a bit boring because the writer used the same simple words over and over! Help Pip make the story more exciting by choosing a 'powerful' word from the word bank to replace the underlined boring word in each sentence. Write the new, improved sentence on the lines provided.

Word bank: enormous · exhausted · shimmering · terrified · delighted · ancient

1. 1. The big castle stood on the hill. (Replace 'big') (1 mark)

2. 2. The happy children cheered when the bell rang. (Replace 'happy') (1 mark)

3. 3. After the long race, the runners were tired. (Replace 'tired') (1 mark)

4. 4. The scared mouse hid behind the cupboard. (Replace 'scared') (1 mark)

5. 5. The shiny star twinkled in the night sky. (Replace 'shiny') (1 mark)

6. 6. The old coin was found in the garden. (Replace 'old') (1 mark)

Draw: Choose one of your new 'powerful' sentences and draw a detailed picture of the scene to show what the word means!



Extension challenge: Can you think of two more powerful synonyms for the word 'nice'? Write them in your notebook and use them in a sentence about a friend.