

Pip's Powerful Word Adventure

Learning objective: To use a wide range of precise vocabulary and ambitious adjectives to describe a setting and a character.

Pip the caterpillar has found a mysterious, magical garden! Use the prompts below to describe this place. Instead of using 'boring' words like 'nice', 'big', or 'good', try to use 'powerful' words from the word bank to make your writing exciting.

Pip crept slowly through the dew-covered grass and gasped as he saw the entrance to the Hidden Garden.

Word bank: shimmering · enormous · mysterious · vibrant · fragrant · towering · glimmering · ancient · suddenly · furthermore · exceptionally · magnificent

1. The Setting: What does the garden look like? Use adjectives to describe the colors and sizes of the plants. (Starter: As Pip stepped inside, he noticed...)

2. The Atmosphere: How does the garden feel and smell? Use your senses to describe the air. (Starter: The air felt... and smelled of...)

3. A Strange Discovery: Pip finds a peculiar object. What is it and what does it look like? (Starter: Tucked away beneath a leaf, Pip spotted a...)

4. Meeting a Friend: A new character appears. Use precise vocabulary to describe their appearance. (Starter: Suddenly, a tiny creature appeared, looking...)

5. The Action: What happens next? Use powerful verbs to describe how Pip and his friend move. (Starter: With a sudden leap, the two friends...)

6. The Conclusion: How does Pip feel about his adventure as he leaves? (Starter: As the sun began to set, Pip felt...)

Extension challenge: Can you find three 'tired' adjectives in your writing and replace them with even more ambitious synonyms using a thesaurus?