

Max's Magnificent Maths Shop: Word Choice Challenge

Learning objective: To improve writing by replacing 'boring' adjectives with more exciting and precise vocabulary.

Max the monkey is opening a shop to sell his favourite maths puzzles. Help him choose the best words for his signs! Read the sentences below and replace the underlined 'boring' word with a more descriptive word from the word bank. You must choose a word that makes the sentence sound more exciting.

Word bank: enormous · dazzling · tiny · delicious · speedy · gigantic · sparkling

1. 1. Max sells a big puzzle. (Change 'big' to make it sound larger). (2 marks)

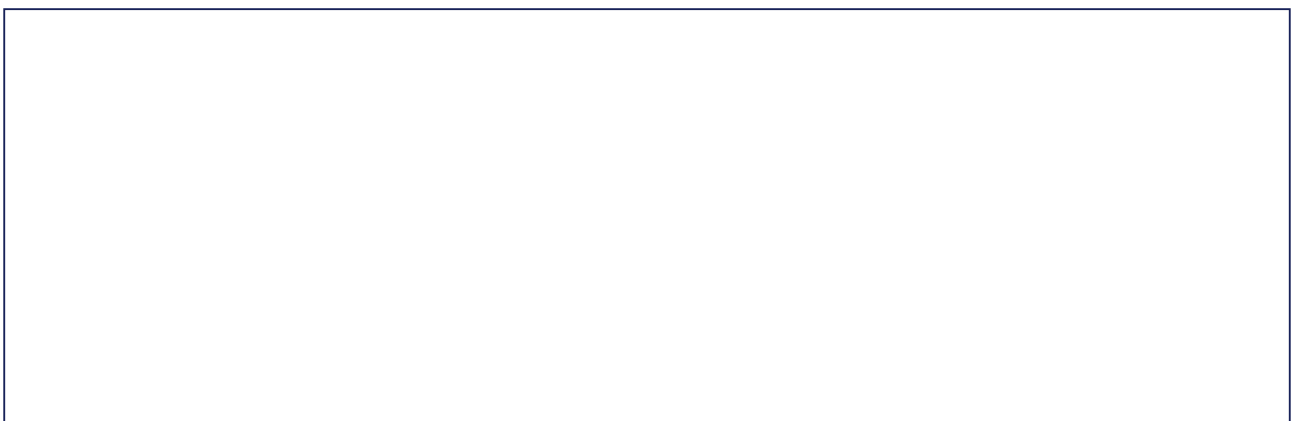
2. 2. The patterns on the box look nice. (Change 'nice' to something that describes how they shine). (2 marks)

3. 3. The answer to the puzzle is small. (Change 'small' to a word that describes a very little thing). (2 marks)

4. 4. Max is a fast worker. (Change 'fast' to a word that describes quick movement). (2 marks)

5. 5. Explain why using the word 'enormous' is better than using the word 'big' when describing a puzzle. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of Max's shop. Make sure to draw one 'enormous' item and one 'tiny' item in your shop window!



Extension challenge: Can you think of two more 'boring' words like 'good' or 'bad' and write a 'wow' word for each to use in your next story?