

# My SPAG booklet



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## Astonishing Adjectives

The paragraph below introduces you to the Flamingo Land wild life and theme park in North Yorkshire. Can you rewrite the paragraph to make it sound more appealing?

*Hint: replace the word 'nice' with a more effective adjective. There are some suggestions at the bottom of the page.*



Flamingo Land is a **nice** place for families to visit. There is a **nice** zoo, a **nice** theme park and lots of **nice** shops and **nice** cafés.

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interesting

amazing

exciting

awesome

wonderful

brilliant

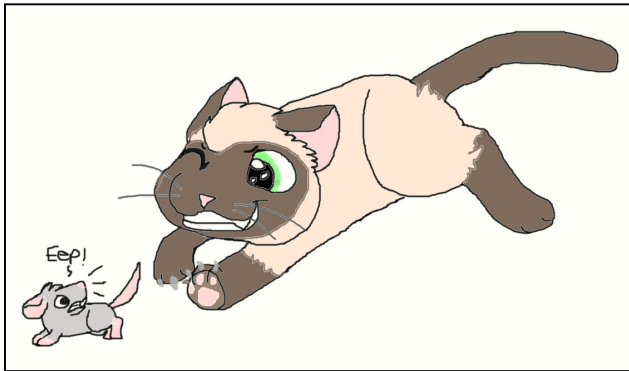
fabulous

fantastic

## Vibrant Verbs

The paragraph below explains how a mouse was able to escape from a hungry cat. Can you rewrite the paragraph to make it sound more interesting?

*Hint: replace the words in **bold** with a more effective verb. There are some suggestions at the bottom of the page.*



As the mouse **went** across the carpet, the cat **said** to himself, "There goes my supper."

The cat **went** after the mouse but the mouse **went** into a small hole where the cat couldn't **go**.

"Phew, that was lucky!" **said** the mouse.

squeezed

reach

whispered

chased

hurried

scurried

meowed

gaspd

## Adventurous Adverbs

The paragraph below tells you about what Peter did at the park. Can you rewrite the paragraph to make it sound more interesting?

*Hint: add an adjective when you see this sign ^.* There are some suggestions at the bottom of the page.



Peter ran ^ to the play park. He headed straight for the slide and ^ climbed to the top before he slid ^ down to the bottom.

“Yippee!” he shouted ^ “This is such fun!”

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loudly

happily

gleefully

joyfully

quickly

excitedly

carefully

speedily

## Amazing Alliteration

The sentences below include nouns that could be improved by adding an alliterative adjective.

*Hint: add an alliterative adjective when you see this sign ^.* There are some suggestions at the bottom of the page.

1. Simon the ^ snake slithered along the ^ road.

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2. Petra, the ^ puppy scampered after the ^ ball.

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3. Dobbin, the ^ donkey couldn't find his ^ carrot.

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4. The children watched the ^ flames of the ^ bonfire. .

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dopey

rocky

flickering

bright

playful

crunchy

slippery

bouncing



## Clever Conjunctions

Read the pairs of sentences below. They would sound much better if they were made into one longer sentence. Can you join the sentences by replacing the full stop with a conjunction?

There are some conjunctions at the bottom of the page which you might like to use.

1. I made some toast for my brother. He didn't eat it.

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2. Jane felt happy. She won her running race.

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3. Bobby bumped into a lamp post. He wasn't looking where he was going.

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4. Patrick read the newspaper. He was waiting for the bus.

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**when**

**and**

**then**

**so**

**because**

**so**

**while**

**but**

## Glorious Grammar

### Was or were?

In the sentences below the writer cannot decide whether to use **was** or **were**. Can you help? Rewrite the sentences replacing ^ with **was** or **were**.

1. We ^ late for school because we missed the bus.

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2. I ^ too tired to do my homework.

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3. The children ^ happy when their team won the football match.

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4. The lion ^ angry with the mischievous mouse .

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5. The horses ^ galloping across the green, grassy meadow. .

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## Astonishing Adjectives and Adverbs

The paragraph below describes a scene from a Bonfire Night party. Can you rewrite the paragraph to make it sound more appealing?

*Hint: add an adjective or an adverb when you see ^ . There are some suggestions at the bottom of the page.*



Thomas shrieked ^ as he watched the ^ fireworks shoot up into the ^ sky. Mum handed him a sparkler which he ^ held while Mum lit it with a ^ match. “This is great fun!” shouted Thomas ^.

colourful

joyfully

burning

excitedly

dark

carefully

loudly

fantastic



## Superb Synonyms

**Synonyms are words that mean a similar thing to each other.**

Little Alfie has been asked to improve the sentences below by choosing a synonym to replace the words that have been underlined. Can you help little Alfie?

*Some of the words at the bottom of the page may be of help to you.*

1. I had a bad cold.

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2. Peter was pleased with his birthday presents.

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3. Jane was surprised when she won the race.

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4. The big elephant charged towards the fierce lion.

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5. The chickens were frightened of the sly fox. .

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**angry**

**dreadful**

**horrible**

**cheerful**

**enormous**

**astonished**

**terrified**

**delighted**

## Superb Synonyms

Can you help little Alfred? He has been asked to sort out the words in the speech bubbles by colouring the words that mean 'good' in yellow and the words that mean 'bad' in green.



brilliant

horrible

fantastic

marvellous

awful

evil

vile

awesome

splendid

wonderful

dreadful

horrid

lovely

nasty

rotten

amazing

fabulous

## Splendid Speech Marks

The paragraph below includes lots of speech but the author has forgotten to include speech marks in her writing. Can you help the author by rewriting the paragraph, putting the speech marks in the correct places?

“ \_\_\_\_\_ ”

Quickly! shouted Mum, If you don't hurry up we will miss our bus. I can't find my hat, replied Thomas. I put it in the coat cupboard underneath your coat Mum called impatiently. I've found it! It had slipped into the sleeve of my coat. Thomas chuckled. What a relief! laughed Mum, Now, lets get going!

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