

ON-O-MA-TO WHAT?

If you are going to use onomatopoeia in your writing, then you need to be able to properly recognize it. Don't confuse expressive reporting verbs such as *exclaimed* or *cried* with onomatopoeic words such as *barked* or *whispered*.

Connect the two parts of these sentences with a line.

1. I heard birds...	a) ...woke him up.
2. I was lying by the pool	b) ...when I heard a splash.
3. She watched her dog...	c) ...so Jack zipped his jacket.
4. These cookies...	d) ...the leaves were rustling.
5. The alarm beeping...	e) ...tweeting outside.
6. It was getting cold...	f) ...are crunchy.
7. Someone is...	g) ...when they heard the lion's roar.
8. The little pigs were...	h) ...sniffing the trail.
9. The wind was blowing and...	i) ...squeaking happily.
10. They all froze with fear...	j) ...knocking on the door.

Identify the onomatopoeic word in each sentence. Write it in the box.

1. Bob exclaimed that the two cars crashed loudly together.
2. The puppy whimpered because its owner was shouting.
3. Samira declared that the Sergeant barked out his orders to the troops.
4. The students complained that the teacher grunted too much!
5. The negative comments were hurled at the howling protesters.
6. Cindy cried because the other students were whispering about her.

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7. Terrified of the murmuring mob, the union leader refused to speak.
8. The girls shrieked with delight when their parents insisted that they go to Hawaii for their summer vacation.
9. The orator bellowed over the PA system for the chattering students to silence themselves.
10. The teacher's assistant was not thrilled that he accidentally blurted out some of the answers to the quiz.

Match the French onomatopoeic word to its English equivalent.

Drag the letter of the English word and place it next to the number of the French word.

1. smack
2. ron-ron
3. pan-pan
4. plouf
5. beurk (berk)
6. aïe
7. miam-miam
8. pin-pon
9. chut
10. paf
11. glou-glou
12. toc-toc
13. atchoum

- a. smack
- b. splash
- c. ouch
- d. kiss-kiss
- e. yuck
- f. knock-knock
- g. zzzzz
- h. shhhh/hush
- i. yum-yum
- j. bang-bang
- k. achoo
- l. glug-glug
- m. wee-woo