

Describing Trends

A) Literal meanings

Join with arrows (use a dictionary)

1. rocket
2. surge
3. plunge
4. soar
5. slump
6. plummet

- a) to the ground, off a cliff
- b) into the water/sea, off a cliff
- c) into a chair (exhausted)
- d) storm, tidal, water ____
- e)
- f)



B) Upward and downward trends

Put the words in the correct column

decline	climb	plummet	rise	fall	drop	rocket	soar	plunge	grow	increase
			decrease	surge	slump					

go up	go down	rise quickly/to a high level	fall quickly/suddenly

Rewrite the following sentences using the word given so that the meaning stays the same.

1. The average cost of a new house has gone up by five percent. (increase)

There.....

2. There has been a dramatic decrease in share prices today. (plummeted)

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