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READING AND TYPING PRACTICE
Directions: Read the 4 stories below. Type the correct word from your vocabulary list into each blank.

Animal Secrets

Animals have amazing bodies. For example, a fish uses its (1) _____ to breathe underwater, and you can see a shiny (2) _____ on its skin. Mammals, like bears, have thick (3) _____ to stay warm in the cold, while a bird uses a light (4) _____ to fly high in the sky. In the wild, predators need to (5) _____ for food. A robin might look for a tiny (6) _____ in the wet soil. To stay safe, smaller animals often (7) _____ quietly through the grass so they can (8) _____ from danger.

A Walk in the Forest

Yesterday, I walked in the forest and saw some beautiful birds. A bright yellow (9) _____ was sitting on a branch, singing a sweet song. Suddenly, I heard a loud "tap-tap-tap" sound. It was a clever (10) _____ using its strong beak to (11) _____ a hole into a tree. Nearby, a large crow began to (12) _____ loudly, which scared a squirrel. The squirrel quickly dropped the brown (13) _____ it was holding and ran away.

A Cold Winter Day

It was a freezing winter morning. Outside, a long, pointed (14) _____ was hanging down from the roof. As the sun came up, the ice started melting, and water was (15) _____ onto the ground. Inside, my mom was making a hot drink. I watched her (16) _____ warm milk into a cup. She added cocoa powder and sugar, mixing them into a sweet (17) _____. It was so warm and cozy, completely different from eating a frozen (18) _____ in the summer!

Life in the Past

Long ago, people had different ways of (19) _____. Before smartphones, they had to write letters to (20) _____ with family far away. Traveling was also very different. A farmer often pushed a heavy (21) _____ to carry vegetables, while rich people rode in a beautiful horse-drawn (22) _____. For breakfast, people loved

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warm food. In Asia, a bowl of rice (23) _____ is very popular, while in Western countries, people prefer oat (24) _____ or a crunchy piece of (25) _____ with butter.

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