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LIVEWORKSHEETS

Beginner Exercise 1

No.	word/phrase	meaning
1	sulked	Refusing to talk because you did not get what you wanted
2	yawned	Express boredom or tiredness
3	growled	Show anger with a low voice like an angry dog.
4	challenged	Oppose someone
5	wished	Express hope silently



Beginner Exercise 1

growled	sulked	yawned
wished	challenged	

1. "I am so tired. I am going to hit the sack!" _____ Xu Hao, opening his mouth as wide as a cave.
2. "I'm never going to talk to you until you buy me that toy!" Janice _____, standing with arms akimbo, frowning at her Mother.
3. "If you don't give me your money, I will twist your arm!" _____ the bully, baring his teeth like an angry dog.
4. "I want a dollhouse," Mary _____ cupping her hands in prayer, before blowing the candles on her cake.
5. "I'll prove you wrong! I can eat 40 pancakes!" _____ my brother who was as skinny as a twig.



Beginner Exercise 2

No	word/phrase	meaning
1	shouted	Say something in a loud voice
2	cackled	Laugh in a harsh loud way like an evil witch
3	advised	Tell someone what to do or what not to do, usually a parent or a teacher
4	reprimanded	Scold
5	promised	To state to someone that you will do something



Beginner Exercise 2

reprimanded	advised	cackled
shouted	promised	

1. "I am going to turn you all into frogs!" _____ the witch evilly while stirring her potion.
2. "Help me!" _____ Sally at the top of her lungs, hoping someone would hear her.
3. "If you want to feel better, you should stay away from fried foods," _____ the doctor.
4. "How dare you jump the queue? Queue up like the rest!" _____ the teacher.
5. "I will never steal again. I will turn over and new leaf!" _____ Oliver.



Beginner Exercise 3

No	word/phrase	meaning
1	wept	Cry
2	exclaimed	To speak suddenly in surprise or with strong emotion
3	assured	Comfort someone to make them feel better
4	coaxed	Persuade someone to do something
5	roared	Shout loudly like a lion, usually when someone is angry



Beginner Exercise 3

roared	assured	coaxed
exclaimed	wept	

1. "Get out of here!" _____ the angry giant making all the dwarfs scamper away in fright.
2. "I promise to buy you another cone!" _____ the mother hoping to console the crying child.
3. "I dropped my ice cream cone!" _____ the child, wiping her tears with the back of her hand.
4. "I found it!" _____ Vera upon finding the lost wallet.
5. "I will give you a fish if you come out!" my sister _____ the cat with a piece of fish.



Beginner Exercise 4

No	word/phrase	meaning
1	grunted	You make a low sound, especially because you are annoyed or not interested in something
2	called	Shout or cry out loudly
3	threatened	Promise to do something nasty if the other person does not do what you want them to do
4	responded	Reply to someone
5	apologised	Say sorry



Beginner Exercise 4

apologised	responded	called
threatened	grunted	

1. "I'm sorry. I promise to never do it again!" _____ the guilty student.
2. "Help me!" _____ out the drowning boy.
3. "If you don't give me your money, I will beat you black and blue!" _____ the bully.
4. "Yes! I am up here!" _____ Jack to his friend's call.
5. "Too tired," the father _____ and switched on the television, ignoring the pleas from the children to bring them to the toy store.

