



**Week 5**

**Primary**

**The Write Tribe**

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# VOCABULARY BUILDER

19/8



## Story Study

Fill in the blanks with the correct words.

<b>ardent</b>	<b>peacock</b>
<b>arm and leg</b>	<b>envy</b>
<b>bragged</b>	<b>cherubic</b>
<b>flocked</b>	<b>smiles</b>
<b>silver spoon in her mouth</b>	

### INTRODUCTION

It was a typical Monday morning. The sun blazed away while my teacher droned away.

"Okay class, I would be leaving for a while. Please behave!" with that announcement, my teacher Miss Rudy waltzed out of the classroom. Just then, I felt a tap on my shoulder.

"Guess what I got?" Jia hui, my best friend whispered. She proceeded to whip out something shiny. It was a brand new iPhone. It gleamed under the blaring fluorescent lights of our classroom, attracting everyone's attention. "It's cost an

1. \_\_\_\_\_, guys! Luckily, my dad's rich" Jia hui 2. \_\_\_\_\_. Jia hui, was the perfect little girl. She was rich.

She was born with a 3. \_\_\_\_\_. Immediately,

everyone 4. \_\_\_\_\_ to her like bees to honey. As her 5. \_\_\_\_\_ fans

circled around her, I was green with 6. \_\_\_\_\_. It wasn't fair! Jia hui always gets

cool things and I don't! She was proud as a 7. \_\_\_\_\_ and always rubbing it in my

face. "So what do you think?" Jia hui enquired. I was all 8. \_\_\_\_\_, trying hard not



to show my envy. I was so mad I wanted to punch her 9. \_\_\_\_\_ face! How could someone be so perfect.

<b>fidgeted</b>	<b>smithereens</b>
<b>gestured</b>	<b>stifle</b>
<b>hot soup</b>	<b>sly</b>
<b>twitching uncomfortably</b>	<b>pricked my conscience</b>
<b>flushed</b>	

### **CONFLICT**

The recess bell rang and everyone made a beeline to the canteen. I was left all alone in the classroom. Jia Hui carelessly left her brand new iPhone on her table.

A 10. \_\_\_\_\_ smile spread across my face. I grabbed the phone in my hands and threw it to the ground. It smashed into 11. \_\_\_\_\_. Satisfied, I left for recess.

### **CLIMAX**

When Jia hui came back, she was deeply saddened. As she tried to 12. \_\_\_\_\_ her sobs, she asked me, "Who would do something so cruel?"

I felt guilty. Her words 13. \_\_\_\_\_.

"Whoever who broke Jia Hui's phone better own up now! Or I will check the CCTV camera" Miss Rudy warned.

I 14. \_\_\_\_\_ nervously in my chair. I couldn't keep still.

Seeing me 15. \_\_\_\_\_ in my chair, my teacher

16. \_\_\_\_\_ me to come over.

That moment, I knew I was in 17. \_\_\_\_\_



Guilt overwhelmed me from head to toe. I regretted my actions. "I d-did it!" I stammered.

My face 18. \_\_\_\_\_ in embarrassment.

Jia Hui's face lit up in horror. I could see that I let her down as a friend. "To the principal's office!" my teacher roared.

## **CONCLUSION**

<b>profusely</b>	<b>face the music</b>
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Now, I have to 19. \_\_\_\_\_ for my actions. I was scolded

20. \_\_\_\_\_ by my principal. I felt ashamed for my actions. How could I have done something so cruel? Jia Hui was my friend after all. As for Jia Hui, she never forgave me. She may have bragged about her possessions. However, that didn't give me the right to hurt her. I learnt an important lesson that day. Envy can ruin friendships.



## PHRASE CHALLENGE

word/phrase	meaning
Green with envy	
proud as a peacock	
cost an arm and leg	
born with a silver spoon in the mouth	
blessing in disguise	
a dime a dozen	

something common	born in a wealthy family	envious
something that's bad that turned out good	expensive	Boastfulness, arrogance

