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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

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.