



Primary 3/4

Week 21

The Write Tribe

FIGURES OF SPEECH: BEHAVIOUR



Fill in the blanks

behaved out of character	let her down	treats them like dirt
on their best behaviour	leaving me in the lurch	

1. The moment the security alarms sounded, my 'best friend' scampered away _____ to face the burly security guard. Arms akimbo, the security guard, snarled at me through yellowed teeth, "How dare you shoplift?"
2. Eleanor has a demeanour made of steel. Proud as a peacock, she looks at everyone with absolute disdain and _____. No wonder she has no friends!
3. My mother's face fell when she heard that I had shoplifted. She was silent, her eyes downcast and I could tell that I had _____.
4. Everyone was _____ when they heard they were going to the zoo. There was pin-drop silence in the classroom.
5. Jean _____ at the birthday party. We have never even heard her speak in class! She is normally as quiet as a mouse!



Form sentences

On the edge of my seat

I was on the edge of my seat

Reason:

to know how the movie ended! The movie was that exciting!

Put them together:

I was on the edge of my seat to know how the movie ended. The movie was that exciting!

Reason:

The sight of the bickering siblings finally working together in harmony was

A joy to behold:

truly a joy to behold.

Put them together:

The sight of the bickering siblings finally working together in harmony was truly a joy to behold.

1. leaving me in the lurch

2. treats them like dirt

3. let someone down

4. behave out of character

5. on their best behaviour



Match them!

leaving someone in
the lurch

treat people very badly

treat someone like
dirt

abandoning someone
in a difficult time

let someone down

not act naturally

to behave out of
character

disappoint someone

on my best
behaviour

be very well behaved

