



Choose the best word for each gap (1-7).

A Terrifying Accident.

It was the sound of the car brakes **1** _____ that caught her attention first of all. The noise stood out from all the other noises that crowded into her ears - the car horns hooting, the sound of children's voices as they ran out of the school playground, mothers calling their children, **2** _____ to get them home.

Then, it felt as if someone had placed their hands on her and forcibly made her turn around and look. As soon as she did, her eyes **3** _____ and her hands began to shake. Her legs seemed frozen to the **4** _____.

All she could do was watch **5** _____ immobile, as if it was all happening in slow motion, right there in front of her.

She opened her mouth, but no sound came **6** _____. Then came the dull thud as the car hit the child, the shocked gasps of the **7** _____ and the roaring of the car as it sped away.

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| 1. | 1. shrieking | 2. screaming | 3. screeching | 4. shouting |
| 2. | 1. restless | 2. impatient | 3. nervous | 4. worried |
| 3. | 1. widened | 2. broadened | 3. opened | 4. enlarged |
| 4. | 1. point | 2. place | 3. mark | 4. spot |
| 5. | 1. pointlessly | 2. uselessly | 3. helplessly | 4. worthlessly |
| 6. | 1. about | 2. away | 3. out | 4. through |
| 7. | 1. viewers | 2. onlookers | 3. audience | 4. Spectators |

