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Exercise 1:

Listen and check the meaning of the words in the box and complete the text with ten of the words.

screamed	strange	laugh	dropped	enormous
ugly	sadly	difficult	smell	tear

The Elephant Man

We gave Merrick two rooms at the back of the hospital. One room was a bathroom, so he could have a bath every day. Soon his skin was much better, and there was no horrible (1) _____.

The second room had a bed, table and chairs. I visited him every day and talked to him. He loved reading and talking about books. But sometimes it was (2) _____ for him. At first, one or two people in the hospital laughed at Merrick because he was (3) _____. Sometimes they brought their friends to look at him. One day a new nurse came to the hospital, and nobody told her about Merrick. She took his food to his room and opened the door. Then she saw him. She (4) _____, (5) _____ the food on the floor, and ran out of the room.

“People don't like looking at me. I know that, Dr Treves,” he said. “They usually (6) _____ or scream.” “Well, I don't want nurses to laugh at you, Joseph,” I said angrily. “I want them to help you.” “Thank you, doctor,” he said, in his (7) _____ slow voice. “But it's not important. Everyone laughs at me. I understand that.”

I looked at him (8) _____. In his one good hand, left hand, he had the little picture of his mother. He looked at the picture for a minute, and then put it by a flower on the table. A (9) _____ ran out of his eye and down the skin of his (10) _____, ugly face.