

DESCRIPTIVE VERBS

Some verbs make narratives sound more dramatic.



Match these words with their right meaning.

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| 1. smash | to refuse to continue working because of an argument with an employer about working conditions. |
| 2. rage | to jump into water, especially with head and arms first |
| 3. dive | to cry or say something loudly, because of strong emotions. |
| 4. flee | to take/hold something or someone suddenly or roughly. |
| 5. strike | to cause something to break noisily into a lot of pieces. |
| 6. demolish | to completely destroy a building, to use the land for something else. |
| 7. grab | to escape by running away, especially because of danger or fear. |
| 8. scream | to happen in a strong or violent way. |



Complete the sentences with the right descriptive verb.

1. He picked up a stone and _____ the windscreen of the car.
2. The thief stole a motorbike and _____.
3. The fires had been _____ for days, and no one knew how to stop them.
4. When I got there, I heard somebody _____ with fear.
5. They _____ the houses to make space for new shops.
6. The man _____ my wallet quickly and ran away.
7. The car lost control and _____ another vehicle.
8. He took off his clothes and _____ into the water.