



Week 5

Primary

The Write Tribe

VOCABULARY BUILDER

19/8



Story Study

Fill in the blanks with the correct words.

ardent	peacock
arm and leg	envy
bragged	cherubic
flocked	smiles
silver spoon in her mouth	

INTRODUCTION

It was a typical Monday morning. The sun blazed away while my teacher droned away.

"Okay class, I would be leaving for a while. Please behave!" with that announcement, my teacher Miss Rudy waltzed out of the classroom. Just then, I felt a tap on my shoulder.

"Guess what I got?" Jia hui, my best friend whispered. She proceeded to whip out something shiny. It was a brand new iPhone. It gleamed under the blaring fluorescent lights of our classroom, attracting everyone's attention. "It's cost an

1. _____, guys! Luckily, my dad's rich" Jia hui 2. _____. Jia hui, was the perfect little girl. She was rich.

She was born with a 3. _____. Immediately,

everyone 4. _____ to her like bees to honey. As her 5. _____ fans

circled around her, I was green with 6. _____. It wasn't fair! Jia hui always gets

cool things and I don't! She was proud as a 7. _____ and always rubbing it in my

face. "So what do you think?" Jia hui enquired. I was all 8. _____, trying hard not



to show my envy. I was so mad I wanted to punch her 9. _____ face! How could someone be so perfect.

fidgeted	smithereens
gestured	stifle
hot soup	sly
twitching uncomfortably	pricked my conscience
flushed	

CONFLICT

The recess bell rang and everyone made a beeline to the canteen. I was left all alone in the classroom. Jia Hui carelessly left her brand new iPhone on her table.

A 10. _____ smile spread across my face. I grabbed the phone in my hands and threw it to the ground. It smashed into 11. _____. Satisfied, I left for recess.

CLIMAX

When Jia hui came back, she was deeply saddened. As she tried to 12. _____ her sobs, she asked me, "Who would do something so cruel?"

I felt guilty. Her words 13. _____.

"Whoever who broke Jia Hui's phone better own up now! Or I will check the CCTV camera" Miss Rudy warned.

I 14. _____ nervously in my chair. I couldn't keep still.

Seeing me 15. _____ in my chair, my teacher

16. _____ me to come over.

That moment, I knew I was in 17. _____



Guilt overwhelmed me from head to toe. I regretted my actions. "I d-did it!" I stammered.

My face 18. _____ in embarrassment.

Jia Hui's face lit up in horror. I could see that I let her down as a friend. "To the principal's office!" my teacher roared.

CONCLUSION

profusely	face the music
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Now, I have to 19. _____ for my actions. I was scolded

20. _____ by my principal. I felt ashamed for my actions. How could I have done something so cruel? Jia Hui was my friend after all. As for Jia Hui, she never forgave me. She may have bragged about her possessions. However, that didn't give me the right to hurt her. I learnt an important lesson that day. Envy can ruin friendships.



PHRASE CHALLENGE

word/phrase	meaning
Green with envy	
proud as a peacock	
cost an arm and leg	
born with a silver spoon in the mouth	
blessing in disguise	
a dime a dozen	

something common	born in a wealthy family	envious
something that's bad that turned out good	expensive	Boastfulness, arrogance

