

Verbs

Part A

Verbs are action words. They describe what someone or something is doing.

1. Can you underline the verbs in each of the sentences below? Then, choose a word from the word bank that could replace that verb in the sentence and still make sense.

Example: Flopsy, Mopsy and Cotton-tail went down the lane.
walked

Word Bank

hurried	sobbed	fled	swooped	purchased
discovered	leapt	munched	sprinted	

- a. Peter Rabbit ran straight into Mr. McGregor's garden. _____
 - b. She bought a loaf of brown bread. _____
 - c. He ate some lettuces. _____
 - d. Mr. McGregor jumped up. _____
 - e. Peter rushed all over the garden. _____
 - f. The sparrows flew down to him. _____
 - g. Peter escaped just in time. _____
 - h. Peter found a door in a wall. _____
 - i. Peter cried. _____
2. Can you write your own sentence using one of the verbs from the word bank?

★ Challenge Task ★

Can you replace any of the verbs in your sentences with different verbs, while keeping the meaning the same? Rewrite the sentences below.

Verbs Answers

Part A

- a. Peter Rabbit ran straight into Mr. McGregor's garden.
sprinted
- b. She bought a loaf of brown bread.
purchased
- c. He ate some lettuces.
munched
- d. Mr. McGregor jumped up.
leapt
- e. Peter rushed all over the garden.
hurried
- f. The sparrows flew down to him.
swooped
- g. Peter escaped just in time.
fled
- h. Peter found a door in a wall.
discovered
- i. Peter cried.
sobbed

Part B

Example answer:

Peter had waited a long time to be in Mr. McGregor's garden and he intended to make the most of it. He scampered quickly towards the nearest vegetable patch and gobbled up lots of radishes, lettuces and French beans. He burped loudly and realised that he felt unwell so he searched for some parsley to see if this would help him feel better. As he hunted for the parsley, he noticed an attractive, small snail sliding on a wall. He climbed up onto the low wall to get a better look. At that moment, Mr. McGregor arrived in the garden so Peter stayed perfectly still. He eavesdropped on what Mr. McGregor was calling to his wife. Mr. McGregor glared around the garden, checking for thieves. Peter's heart was pounding. He stayed as still and quiet as he could.

Challenge Task

Example answer:

He hopped quickly towards the nearest vegetable patch and ate up lots of radishes, lettuces and French beans.