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Word Bank To Paragraph Answer Key

Answers will vary. A correct response should include:

- At least 4 sentences; 5 is acceptable.
- At least two nouns, two adjectives, and two verbs from the word bank.
- A clear descriptive setting with vivid imagery.
- Logical flow and appropriate use of descriptive language.

Example response: In the peaceful valley, soft grasses swayed as the morning light glowed across the hills. A shimmering waterfall flowed nearby, sending cool mist into the air. Birds gathered along the rocks, filling the quiet space with gentle sounds. The whole place sparkled as the sun rose higher.

Teacher's Guide

Purpose: Support Grades 3 to 5 students in building descriptive paragraphs using structured vocabulary and sensory-rich language.

- Review the word bank together and define any unfamiliar vocabulary.
- Model how to choose words that fit the mood or environment a student wants to create.
- Encourage students to circle their chosen words before writing.

Differentiation Tips

- Provide a wider word bank or simplify vocabulary depending on student needs.
- Allow students who need scaffolding to start with sentence frames for the first two sentences.
- Challenge advanced writers to use more than the minimum number of required words.

Engagement Tips

- Let students choose the type of setting they want to describe, such as magical, natural, or historical.
- Invite volunteers to read their paragraphs aloud and have classmates identify which word bank words were used.