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## Story Vocabulary Blend Answer Key

Student responses will vary. A strong paragraph should:

- use 3 to 5 target words correctly,
- include natural context clues that show meaning,
- remain clear, logical, and age appropriate.

Sample paragraph: As we tried to navigate the maze, an abrupt buzzing sound made us jump. It came from a peculiar machine in the corner that looked like it could transmit messages to someone far away. Seeing how nervous I was, my friend tried to reassure me that it was probably just part of the science exhibit.

### Teacher's Guide

- **Using this worksheet**
  - Explain that context clues help readers understand unfamiliar words without stopping to look them up.
  - Model how to integrate vocabulary naturally by drafting a short sample sentence with clues.
  - Encourage students to plan before writing so their paragraph flows smoothly.
  - Remind them that each vocabulary word needs to be supported by meaningful context.
- **Engagement ideas**
  - Have students trade paragraphs and underline each other's context clues.
  - Turn the activity into a mini storytelling circle where volunteers read their paragraphs aloud.
  - Challenge students to expand their paragraph into a short story using additional vocabulary words.