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Word Repair Shop Answer Key

1. Misused word: **elated**. Possible fix: I was **frustrated** when my phone battery died during the group project.
2. Misused word: **whisper**. Possible fix: The librarian asked us to **whisper**, so we started talking **quietly**.
3. Misused word: **terrible**. Possible fix: The coach said our teamwork was **excellent**, and everyone smiled proudly at the compliment.
4. Misused word: **postponed**. Possible fix: We **rescheduled** the meeting by moving it earlier in the day.
5. Misused word: **vague**. Possible fix: The directions were **clear**, so I followed them easily without any questions.
6. Misused word: **reluctant**. Possible fix: Maya was **eager** to try the new food; she reached for a second helping.
7. Misused word: **conclusion**. Possible fix: The scientist made an **investigation** by asking questions and gathering information.
8. Misused word: **humid**. Possible fix: The desert air felt **dry**, and my skin cracked from how dry it was.
9. Misused word: **silent**. Possible fix: The class was **noisy**, so it was hard to hear over the constant chatter.
10. Misused word: **borrow**. Possible fix: I need to **lend** you my notes because you missed yesterday's lesson.

Teacher's Guide

- Remind students to use **context clues** to test whether a word matches the situation.
- Model one example by identifying the clue that proves the word is wrong, then choosing a better word.
- Accept reasonable corrections if the rewritten sentence is logical and preserves the original idea.