

Evening Word Fill Answer Key

Completed Paragraph:

The **evening** sky turned golden as the sun began to **set**. Birds fluttered from tree to **tree**, filling the air with cheerful **songs**. A gentle **breeze** moved through the leaves, and children laughed as they played in the **yard**. The evening felt calm and **peaceful**, as if the world was smiling goodnight.

Comprehension Answers:

1. **Evening.**
2. **They were fluttering from tree to tree and singing.**
3. **Calm and peaceful.**

Teacher Notes / Guide

- **Purpose:** This activity supports fluency by combining **decoding, context clues, and expression**. Students not only practice reading aloud but also actively think about word choice to maintain meaning and flow.
- **Implementation Tips:**
 - Model the first sentence by pausing at the blank and asking aloud, "What makes sense here?"
 - Encourage rereading once the blanks are filled so students practice smooth, fluent reading of the completed passage.
 - Remind students to focus on **phrasing and rhythm**, not just accuracy of filling in words.
- **Differentiation:**
 - Provide a word bank for struggling readers.
 - Challenge advanced readers by leaving more blanks or requiring them to create their own missing-word paragraph for a partner.
- **Extension Idea:** After filling in, students can illustrate the scene described to reinforce comprehension while keeping the focus on fluency practice.