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## Sharper Sentences

**Directions:** Replace the **vague word** in each sentence with a more **precise synonym**. Then explain why your new word is better.



1. The athlete was **very tired** after the long race.

New precise word:

\_\_\_\_\_

Why it's better:

\_\_\_\_\_

2. The speaker gave a **good** speech about protecting the environment.

New precise word:

\_\_\_\_\_

Why this word is better:

\_\_\_\_\_

3. The dog moved **fast** when it saw the squirrel.

New precise word:

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Why this word is better:

\_\_\_\_\_

4. The movie had a **sad** ending that left the room silent.

New precise word:

\_\_\_\_\_

Why this word is better:

\_\_\_\_\_

5. The classroom became **noisy** when the substitute teacher arrived.

New precise word:

\_\_\_\_\_

Why this word is better:

\_\_\_\_\_

6. The backpack was **heavy** after loading all the books.

New precise word:

\_\_\_\_\_

Why this word is better:

\_\_\_\_\_

7. The student felt **nervous** before presenting the project.

New precise word:

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Why this word is better:

\_\_\_\_\_

8. The storm caused **bad damage** to the small town.

New precise word:

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Why this word is better:

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