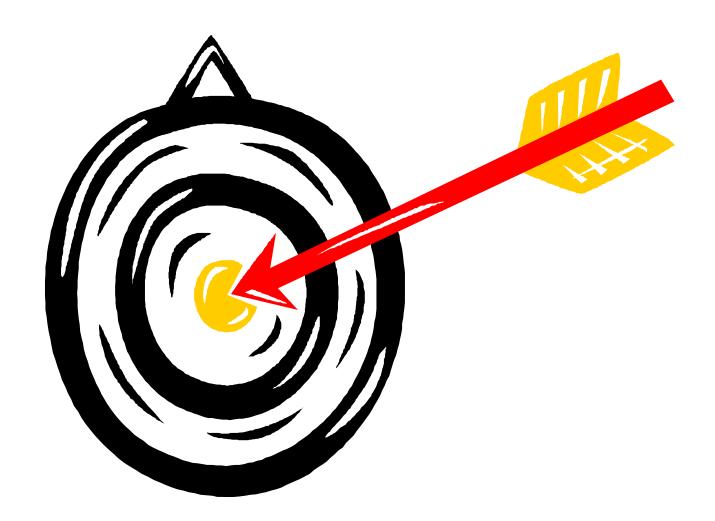
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# **Word Choice**

### **Original**



# Party Place

For only 16.00 you can have a stack of are pancake It come with some hot sauge. And don't forget the cimnnon roll for all 100 extra. You can have any refreshment but it come with orange jucie.

#### Revision



# Party Place

you can have huge towr deck of soft flaffy pankakes. Mmm m. I can just taste those warm pancakes and the sweet sugery spyrp. also it come with sizzling juicey sausage. That's is cooked to perfection. Don't forget the homemade cinnamon roll with all that goody iciny and that delicious taste of cinnam. want it all down with thist-queniching glass of fresh squeezed Florida orange juice. enjoy

# Shades of meaning

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#### **Gettin' Better Verbs**

**DIRECTIONS:** Replace each get/ got with a stronger action verb without repeating a word.

1. When I went to camp, I <b>got</b> a head cold.
2. After dinner, my dad <b>got</b> a phone call from his boss.
3. Jerry listened to the teacher explain the lesson,
but he still didn't <b>get</b> it.
4. When will we <b>get</b> our school pictures taken?
5. Ellen <b>got</b> an A- on her test.
6. When dad sold his lawnmower, he <b>got</b> \$1500.00 for it.
7. Mom <b>got</b> all the items on her grocery list with a coupon.
8. My dad thought he knew the directions, but he <b>got</b> mixed up.
9. We <b>got</b> to the theater late and missed the opening act.
10. My sister <b>got</b> free tickets for the concert next week.
11. During our camping trip, I <b>got</b> bit by several mosquitoes.
12. My teacher asked me how I <b>got</b> my unusual name.
13. Dad <b>got</b> lost when we went on vacation this summer.
14. Mom <b>got</b> really upset with my brother.
15. Do you <b>get</b> that you shouldn't use "get" as a verb?

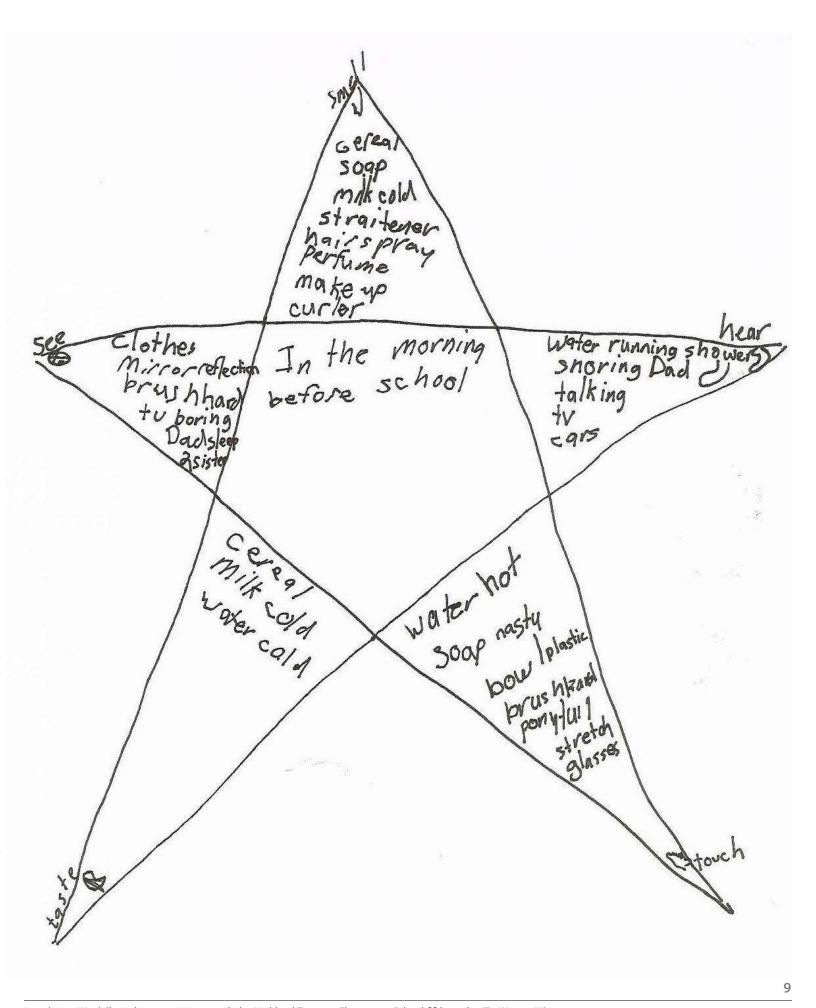
# Pumpkin Pie

mmmm..... Pumpkin pie is the best dessert ever. My taste buds just pop and pop all over the place. Then saliva breaks down the food. Next muscles push down through my esophagus that is 25 cm. long. Stomach juices mashes food down. Then the food goes to the small intestines. It stays in there for 3—6 hours. Most digestion takes place here. Last large intestines hold the leftovers until it leaves the body as waste.

I love pumpkin pie. And I can't wait for the next piece. A walk, throw the part in the morning

When I was walking in the park,
I saw a blue bird and a green frog. Itwas
cool. Gess whatels I saw. I saw littel
Cristels of due sparkeling in the
fresh grass in the morning

At the Bakery
I love the smell of a bakery
the smell of fresh bread donuts just
wating to be gulped up
balking a Cake oh so sweet
the sound of pots and pans
the feel of the hot oven
the taste of bannana nut bread mmm...
the butiful yummy dilishes calke fresh
out of the oven
the chefs have a smile on their face for a job
well done



### Fall-Walk Single Sentence Contest

One freezing cold day the sun's warmth vanished away.

A brownish oak leaf lies on the ground with white frost outlining it like lace.

The giant oak tree with the shape of a moon in it waits for fall to be over.

The tip of one small leaf is all that remains green on this plant.

When the wind blows, the weeds make a noise like a shaking rattlesnake tail.

The blowing wind carries the light seeds into the field.

I walk in the wind as the crackling leaves cling to my feet.

The snake hole was too small for my hand to fit in it.

In the chilly air, flying beautifully, two birds circled through the soft but smeared clouds.

Dead, ripped-up yellow grass blows all over the dirty ground.

The leaves turn scarlet, dandelion, and cherry in the fall.

The wind blows wildly through the bare tree.

Red and blue birds sing to the world, and when the wind stops blowing, they start to sing again.

A robin chirps madly at a squirrel.

In the shiny, blue sky not many clouds float over the trees with no leaves.

# youre Got a Friend in Me!

Il should think we all have friends one or two, or five! However many you have it is always nice to have a pal. Il have many friends. Here are some.

I have a best friend Katie (Kathryn) Shaffi She's a sweet, blonde havied, blue used, kind of girl who's great girl to have around. She's humorous and fund when you need a comforting soul, shes the gal. Katies Smart too! But, since Katie isn't everything, you need in a friend I have otherip too: Tauren Lehman is ne.

Lawrens a lot like me, yet so different. She has a face of freebles, light brown hair and eyes, and a smile that would melt old Scrooges cold heart. Tawen is a terrific listener. She (like it) loves to be dramatic. We dream to have a starring role in a play fauren also gets excited about things. Every time it see her shes all hyped up about something. Mow town and Katie aren't the only lest brionds it have. There's also Sydne and Sharon. Sydne is a spunky fiverood brown eyes and hair colored, tomboy. The can't stond to even say Libby Lus in some hays it relate even say Libby Lus in some hays it relate

to her. Other times I don't know what shes talking about Sydne is sooo athletic She laves basketball. Her favorile animal is a monky we can't even war munkes on shorts without heaving "Monkeegyes!" and getting trampled on. Sharon is a different story. I has so wreful, yet clumy at the same time (Omes she knocked out my lightbull during a pillow fight! The the best lestener youll ever have though. She cares about other people, more than the best doctors could come close to. Sharon has sunshine yellow hair, ocean blue eyes, and cloud while skin. She also has glasses (like Katie and Il). Sharois loud funny, and outrageously outgoing. Shes usually the only girl football player at reces Lo those are close friends. Now not all of frunds are close or the same type as you. Some of a boup frunds and girls. Some girls have boy friends I happen to have a boy friend ( not a bayseind) a loy who is a friend. His name is Lawyer Miller. He has firey recoveringe have, and bright hazel eyes. Hes an entertainer. He makes lots of seple laugh surgers also athletic.

Hes a wonderful playerond a wonderful friend. So not all friends are best friends, girl friends and boy friends, and not all friends are class/school mates. Some live houses apart, or states apart. I have a lot of friends who are that. They are all close friends. I heard in a movie once that if you can count on your hard the number of friends you have you have a lot of friends. I have five fencyers and a lot more than five friends. Think alrest you friends and what you treasure about them. I bet itle be a long list.

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## Green

Green is the color of a mermaid's fin gliding through the water, The color in the rainbow that leads to the pot of gold, A dragon's body, scaly and shining like gems, An emerald stone, glittering with a luscious green texture, A green thumb, caring for the earth, helping her plants grow, The Irish, with their beautiful island, soaked in grass and flowers,

Beautiful seaweed, dancing daintily in the salty ocean, A frog, fat and lazy, never a care in the world, The eye of a little girl, quiet and gentle, The color of the cactus, soaking in the luscious moisture, A greeny juicy apple in the middle of an Indian summer, A head of lettuce bright green, soaking in the sunlight.

### Red

Red is the color of a juicy red apple,
And a hydrated watery tomato,
It's the color of a beautiful dew speckled rose,
It covers a British uniform with buttons,
A torn filthy red flag signifies danger,
Cranky grouchy crabs scuttle about,

Regal handsome cardinals fly in the sky,

Delicate dainty blood cells hover in their veins,

Juicy tender beef chunks make me drool,

Sweet jelly wobbles like jello,

Globs of catsup make a good hot dog,

And scarlet lipstick on my mom's lips.

#### 1-69

We stay between the murky, white lines And night seeps in through the windows, puddling in my lap. Headlights skitter past like lightning bugs, Marching in ranks of two.

Night seeps in, puddling in my lap,
While taillights like campfire embers,
March in ranks of two,
On the sooty, tire—scared asphalt.

Taillights like campfire embers,

Dance through the forest of florescent signs,

On the sooty, tire—scared asphalt,

And I feel the velvet, night—jazz.

Headlights skitter past like lightning bugs,

Dancing through the forest of florescent signs,

I feel the velvet, night—jazz,

And we always stay between the murky, white lines.