

Vocabulary

endless	something that seems like it will never stop. <i>continuous constant incessant</i>
plumes	a large amount of smoke, fire, air or dust that rises into the air in a column (like a tall cylinder). <i>billowing cloud of smoke</i>
valley	a low section of land between hills, sometimes with a river flowing through it. <i>gorge plain</i>
murmuring	saying something very quietly so that other people cannot hear you. <i>whisper mutter hush</i>
tumbling	falling with a rolling or bouncing movement. <i>declining falling descending</i>
mangrove	a tree with roots that grow above the ground and are normally found along a river in hot countries. <i>flowering tree</i>
peer	to look at something with concentration. <i>peep spy look</i>
gazing	to look at something for a long time because it is interesting, or you are thinking about something else. <i>daydream peer stare</i>
drifting	when something is carried by the movement of water or wind. <i>carried adrift meandering</i>
emerald	bright green in colour. <i>jade green</i>
erosion	the gradual destruction of something. <i>break down disintegrate</i>
vast	large in size. <i>humongous broad huge</i>



Focus Writing

Story	To narrate
Letter	To inform

Writer's Knowledge

- Think about adding the -er and -est suffixes to make adjectives.
- Think about using conjunctions like 'when', 'if', 'that' or 'because' to join ideas together.
- Think about using conjunctions like 'and', 'but', 'so', and 'or' to join ideas together.
- Think about using questions to make the reader think and wonder.
- Think about using expanded noun phrases to add detail.
- Think about using an apostrophe to show that something belongs.
- Think about using phrases to show that time has passed.
- Think about using similes to describe and help the reader to imagine.

Golden Phrases

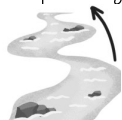
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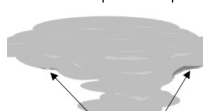
murmuring of running water



swept away



river opens up



towards the horizon



endless stream of busyness



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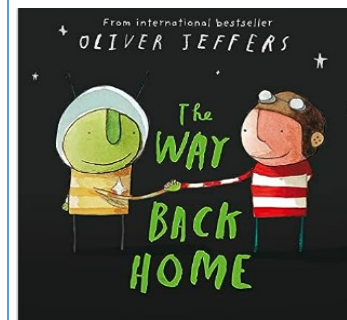
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