Black ominous clouds blanketed the dark grey sky, threatening everyone of a heavy downpour. A fork of sparkling bright lightning flashed, causing a crack to form in the sky. A great clap of thunder then came close upon each other and soon, a sudden shower was released.

The wind was thrashing against the trees, causing the branches to whip and sway about in the storm. Countless of leaves were shed and came twirling and swirling in mid-air. Trees were bent double and one of them had its roots uprooted. It came crashing down onto the road.

Saw Something Shocking 1 (46 words)
I shrieked in fear and shoved my fist into my mouth. I froze, mouth trout-like, agape in anticipation and heart racing. I could feel my stomach knot up and hair standing on its end. The sight of seeing a **** sent shudders down my spine. Then (describe what you did next) ....

Saw Something Shocking 2 (50 words)
When I saw xxx (state what did you see), I flinched. I stood rooted to the ground and the sight had robbed me of my speech. Cupping my hands over my agape mouth, I tried to scream but nothing came out. It took me what seemed like ages to recover from my stupor. Then (describe what you did next) ....

Saw Something Shocking 3 (40 words)
My eyes gleamed wide with horror, mouth agape. Cupping my hands over my mouth, I tried to suppress the fear rising within me. I was powerless and frantic with horror. It took me a while to regain my composure and (describe what you did next) ....

Saw Something Shocking 4 (20 words)
I cringed at the sight of … (state what you saw). I was paralysed with fear and stood petrified with fear. Regaining my composure, (describe what you did next) ....
Useful Phrases describing Sadness / Shock on what you have heard

**Heard Something Shocking 1 (49 words)**
When I heard the news, all I could do was to cup my pair of hands over my agape mouth and gleamed wide at her. I just could not believe what I had heard. I was speechless and fringed. It took me a while to regain my composure and (describe what you did next) ….

**Heard Something Shocking 2 (51 words)**
My eyes were glued to her and then looked away. Gritting my teeth and creasing my eyebrows into a row, I tried to suppress the emotion and the tears rising within me. Soon, the dam of tears within me exploded and it flushed down my pair of red and puffy eyes.

**Heard Something Shocking 3 (28 words)**
When I heard the piece of unwelcoming news, I was stunned and speechless. I searched hard for words to say but utter not a word except for sobs.

Useful Phrases describing Happiness

**Heard Something Joyful 1 (25 words)**
When I heard the news, I punched the air in delight and shouted aloud ‘Hurray!’ I just could not believe I was that lucky ….

**Heard Something Joyful 2 (34 words)**
I was over the moon the moment I heard that (state what you have heard). I ran up to him and wrapped my arms around his waist. Tears of joy and happiness gushed down from my pair of eyes.

**Heard Something Joyful 3 (35 words)**
My eyes glittered with tears of joy. I was quivering with excitement and a wide grin beamed across my face. In fact, the grin was so wide that I could almost eat a banana sideways!

**Heard Something Joyful 4 (21 words)**
We laughed till our sides hurt. In fact, we were bending double to release the roar of laughter exploding inside us!

**Heard Something Joyful 5 (50 words)**
I was saturated with happiness. The happiness within me could not be described. A smile of relief beamed on my face. Closing my eyes and with a smile of gratitude, I clasped my hands in prayer. “Thank you, God, thank you so much for (state what you are thankful for) Thank you and I remaining loving you forever.”
Learn Alternate Words
Go through these alternate words and if it is possible, act them out in class. By physically acting the words out, it would be easier to remember them and apply them in your writing. See if you can think of some other alternate words to “walk” and write them down in the boxes provided.

### Alternate Words for ‘Walk’

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<td>(long journey on foot)</td>
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<td>(walk proudly, swinging shoulders)</td>
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Alternate Words for 'Said'.

**SAY**

**Scream**
**Cried**
**Yelled / Hollered**
**Thundered**

**Blustered** (shout angrily)
**Roared**
**Clamoured** (demand loudly)
**Barked**

**Vociferated**
(Shout to protest/complain)

**Bellowed** (shout with deep tone)

**Bawled** (bawl his lungs out)
**Squeal** (squeal in delight)
**Hollered** (object strongly)
**Yawped / Yelped** (a loud cry)

**Yakked**
(talk nonsensically – made one annoy)
**Shrielled**
(speak in high tone – with anger)
**Blared** (shout angrily)
**Screeched / Shrieked**
(shout due to fear / excitement)

**Answered**
**Cried**
**Replied**
**Suggested**

**Commented**
**Snapped**
(speak quickly and angrily)
**Rebuke / Reprimand** (scold severely)
**Uttered**

**Stammer / Stutter**
(speak nervously)

**Snapped**
(shout with deep tone)

**Recited**
**Responded**
**Commented**
**Explained**

**Argued**
**Declared**
**Consoled**
**Requested**

**Asked**
**Queried**
**Inquired**
**Insisted**

**Retorted**
(replied angrily)
**Chorused**
(speak together)
**Blabber / Jabber**
(talk nonsensically)
**Prattled**
(talk foolishly / childishly)