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Vocabulary Study

Section 1: Hello – A Plan

Match Up

Match the words in the left column to their definitions in the right column.

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| majestic • | • without good sense; foolish |
| trilling • | • worn-out and shabby looking |
| feeble-minded • | • grand and dignified, like royalty |
| lush • | • growing thickly and healthily |
| threadbare • | • making a vibrating sound |
| shrill • | • high-pitched; ear-splitting |

Fill in the Blank

Complete each sentence by filling in the blanks with the provided vocabulary.

majestic trilling feeble-minded lush threadbare shrill

1. The microphone suddenly made a _____ noise that hurt our ears.
2. The _____ ballroom was a popular place to hold special events.
3. Even though Melissa's doll was _____, it was still her favorite toy.
4. The _____ of the birds in the garden woke Leslie up.
5. During his walk through the _____ forest, Tom identified twelve different types of trees.
6. Some dogs are very smart, but others can be quite _____.

**A Little
Extra!**

A simile is a figure of speech that uses the words 'like' or 'as' to compare two things. Ivan uses many similes to explain his thoughts. For example, Ivan thinks Julia's pictures "are like pieces of a dream". Find and write at least two other similes from this section.

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Understanding the Story

Section 1: *Hello – A Plan*

Multiple Choice

1. What does Stella call the chains she wore in her youth?

- (a) Bracelets.
- (b) Metal strings.
- (c) Snakes.
- (d) Leg scratchers.

2. Ivan describes himself as an:

- (a) Acrobat.
- (b) Artist.
- (c) Astronaut.
- (d) Athlete.

Short Answer

3. Ivan is a silverback gorilla. What do we learn about silverback gorillas in these chapters?

Long Answer

4. What does Ivan think of humans?

**A Little
Extra!**

What do you think of places like circuses and zoos that lock up animals for peoples' enjoyment?
