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Writing Homework: Replace It!

Each sentence below is too simple and basic – They need your help! Look at the sentence and think of how you could **ADD** or **REPLACE WORDS**, adding details to make it more **informative and interesting**. Ask yourself which words are common and over-used, and then replace them with “juicier” words.

REWRITE the new, more descriptive sentence on the lines below.

Simple sentence:

The small dog ran outside.

My detailed sentence:

Simple sentence:

The teacher said, “Sit down.”

My detailed sentence:

Now, look back at your stretched sentence and check for:

- Capital letter at the beginning of the sentence
- Period (or exclamation mark) at the end
- Priority words spelled correctly (especially the original words from the simple sentence!!)



City of Boulder Fire Department

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3rd Grade Homework: **CONDUCT A HOME FIRE DRILL** October is National Fire Prevention Month

Boulder Fire Department wants every family and their 3rd grade student to practice a home fire drill. Since most serious fires occur in the home and at night when people are sleeping, it is important to know just what to do when the smoke alarm sounds. You may have only 2 or 3 minutes to escape the poisonous smoke or fire. Boulder Firefighters will be visiting your student's class in October to review this homework paper and teach other fire safety lessons.

Student:

1. Talk with your family about your fire drills at school. Ask them to help you do this Home Fire Drill homework.
2. Ask one person to test the smoke alarm to make sure it works. (Push the "test" button to make it sound.)
3. Ask one person to be the Time Keeper to keep track of how fast everyone can get out of their rooms and out of the house. Remember: Know 2 Ways Out and have a Meeting Place.

Parents:

Please sign this homework page and return to the teacher.

"We tested the smoke alarms in our house to make sure that all of them worked. Our family also practiced a home fire drill. We all got out of the house and gathered at our Meeting Place in _____ minutes."

Signed _____ Date _____