

# Vivid Words

**Vivid words** help readers see, hear, touch, taste, or smell what the writer describes. Vivid words include verbs such as *swirl*, nouns such as *whirlwind*, and adjectives such as *slick*.

fierce    crashed    howled    fluttered    fluffy    ripped

**Directions** Replace the underlined word or words with a more vivid word from the box or your own word. **Possible answers:**

1. The wind blew full clouds across the sky.

The wind blew fluffy clouds across the sky.

2. Trees' leaves moved in the breeze.

Trees' leaves fluttered in the breeze.

3. Suddenly the wind became bad.

Suddenly the wind became fierce.

4. It took the petals off the wildflowers.

It ripped the petals off the wildflowers.

5. The wind made a big noise through the trees.

The wind howled through the trees.

**Directions** Write a sentence about the motion of the wind. Use two vivid words. Underline them.

**Possible answer:** The wind ripped across the barren desert.