



Enchanted Enhancements *(cont.)*

Now it is your turn to enhance the sentences in the following story. Fill in the blanks with descriptive words or phrases. You may use demonstrative adjectives (such as this, that, these, and those), common adjectives (such as birthday, large, frozen, lovely, three), and proper adjectives (such as British, German, and Jurassic). You may also wish to use descriptive phrases (such as weather-beaten or pocket-sized). Have fun with this activity, but remember to try for interesting images with descriptive language rather than choosing words or phrases that will make the sentences sound silly.

It was my _____ birthday so I ran home from school. When I got to my _____ house it looked like no one was home. “Hello!” I shouted. “Where is my _____ family? Your _____ son and brother is home now!” No one answered. I went to our _____ kitchen to see if there was a note. No note. Not even a _____ note. I went into the _____ room and turned on the _____ television. There was a _____ show on. I turned the television off. I went back into the kitchen to get something to eat. “I want something that’s _____ to eat,” I said to myself. I saw yogurt but it was pineapple flavored. “I don’t want _____ yogurt. I want _____ yogurt,” I said, grabbing a _____ yogurt. I sat down to eat the _____ yogurt. Then I looked for something else. I found _____ candy. I was just about to eat it when the _____ telephone rang. “Hello?” It was my _____ mom. She told me she would be home soon, but needed me to go into the _____ basement to get a _____ chicken from the _____ freezer. “Okay,” I said. Then I ate some _____ candy.

The telephone rang again. “Honey,” my mom said, “please get the _____ chicken from the basement now!”

“Okay!” I said again. As I walked toward the _____ basement stairs I started wondering how she knew I hadn’t gone down to the basement yet. I opened the _____ door. I slowly crept down the _____ steps into the _____ basement. I was getting the creeps. How did she know? Why was it so dark? The _____ stairs made creaking noises. Finally, I got to the bottom and waved my hand around to try to find the _____ light switch. I felt some _____ cobwebs and shrieked just a little. Just then, the _____ lights came on and I heard _____ voices screaming, “Happy Birthday!” I nearly ran all the way back up the _____ steps. My heart was pounding so hard I thought it would break right through my _____ chest! I saw the _____ basement was full of _____ people. They were holding _____ balloons and _____ gifts. Everyone I knew was there—my _____ mom, my _____ Aunt Amelia, my _____ sister Lindsay, all our _____ neighbors and all of my _____ friends.

So _____ is where everyone was, and _____ was how my _____ mom knew I hadn’t come downstairs yet. The _____ chicken, I just remembered! I went to the _____ freezer and opened the door to grab a _____ chicken. Everyone stared at me. Then they all started to laugh. “No, honey,” my mom said, “we don’t need a chicken after all. Tonight we’re having _____ pizza and _____ birthday cake with _____ candles!” We went upstairs and had a party!