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Varied Word Choice Paragraphs

Directions: Look at the paragraphs below. For each paragraph, highlight the words that are bland and could be changed. Then, below the paragraph, please rewrite the paragraph using varied word choice.

1. Tom went to the store. He needed to buy groceries for the week. He went around the store and bought the groceries he needed. He got vegetables, fruits and other groceries. He paid the cashier, then went home and unpacked his groceries.

2. Susan was happy that it was the weekend. She had a lot of plans with her friends and family. On Saturday, she went to the movies and to dinner with her friends. On Sunday, she stayed at home and watched television all day. All in all, she had a nice weekend.

3. Matthew was mad at his brother. His brother took his things without asking, and that made Matthew angry. He did not like when his brother touched his things, and wanted his brother to leave him alone. He yelled at his brother, telling him to leave his things alone.

4. Practice writing a paragraph of your own with colorful language and varied word choice by writing a paragraph about your miscommunication.