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Vocabulary Worksheet for the Great Kapok Tree

Directions: Think about each verb that is underlined in the following sentences. Name the animal involved and explain the meaning of the verb. Then, list 1 or 2 other possible verbs that the author could have used.

1. Before he knew it, the heat and hum of the forest had lulled him to sleep.

2. A troupe of monkeys scampered down from the canopy of the Kapok tree.

3. In a squeaky voice, he piped in the man's ear: "Senhor, a ruined rain forest means ruined lives...many ruined lives."

4. Now he leapt down and padding silently over to the sleeping man.

5. Plodding every so slowly over to the sleeping man, she spoke in her deep and lazy voice: "Senhor, how much is beauty worth?"

6. He murmured in his ear: "Senhor, when you awake, please look upon us all with new eyes."