

DIRECTIONS: Fill in the blanks in the story below, using words from the Word Bank. Not all words will be used. Choose the words that are the most precise in conveying what is going on in the story.

Alex Has a Bad Day



When Alex got up to go to school, he knew he wasn't feeling well. But he was really looking forward to playing soccer with his friends at recess. "Are you all right?" his mother asked him when he came downstairs for breakfast. "You look _____." She put her hand on his forehead. "You might have a fever," she said. "I don't," Alex _____ her. "I just washed my face with hot water." His mother looked doubtful. "Well, okay," she said. Alex didn't have much of an appetite. He ate a few bites, and then headed out to catch the bus. In class that morning, Alex's stomach rumbled and _____. He felt warm and dizzy. He had to _____ extra hard in order to complete his work. At lunch time he just _____ cool water and waited for recess. When recess finally came, he ran outside to play with his friends. But he barely got out the door when he got sick! Alex was so _____. The teacher on recess duty hurried over to help him clean up. "I don't feel well," Alex _____. "I think I need to go home." The teacher did her best to _____ him. Alex appreciated it, but what he really wanted was his mother!

WORD BANK

comfort	promised	think	embarrassed	concentrate
lurched	rattled	growled	muttered	appease
stammered	blushed	flushed	assured	sipped
	guzzled	help		