

# Using Precise Words

“Moves” is a very general word that is used in everyday language in a variety of ways. A precise word is a higher level word that has a meaning similar—but more specific than—the general word.



**DIRECTIONS:** In each sentence, the blank represents the word “moves.” Replace the word “moves” in each sentence with a more precise verb that is specific to the intended meaning of each sentence. Write the precise verb on the line.

*Example:* Sam (moves) \_\_\_\_\_ down the hall and into the classroom.

Sam dashes down the hall and into the classroom.

1. The giraffe \_\_\_\_\_ slowly across his enclosure
2. For his new job, Harold \_\_\_\_\_ to Arizona.
3. After looking both ways, Aaron \_\_\_\_\_ across the street.
4. The deer \_\_\_\_\_ over the fence and disappears into the woods.
5. The sun \_\_\_\_\_ slowly across the afternoon sky.
6. The horse \_\_\_\_\_ across the pasture.
7. The man in the white shirt \_\_\_\_\_ to adjourn the meeting.