

Spelling Test

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The cat-flap clicked upward, letting in a _____ draught of cold air. Framed within the opening appeared a black face with a white nose and chin, wide yellow eyes and a set of curving white _____. The face stayed where it was, the eyes _____ the room.

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Bella, _____ relaxed and sleepy in the armchair by the kitchen fire, turned her head at the sound. She jumped down from the chair and stood _____, ready to see off the _____.

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The stranger returned stare for stare. His glance had taken in the two saucers of cat-food, one still _____ with untouched scraps, and the blue bowl crusted with a white ring where milk had stood for some time, left by cats who had had more than _____ already.

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He looked at the warm glow of the gas fire, at the armchair and at the clean white coats of the two _____.

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This was a place where a cat could be comfortable, no _____ about that. He was _____ hungry. He came wholly into the room and _____ the saucer _____.

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Bella circled round him, her fur _____.

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Before long Miss Betty Braithwaite's _____ medium- _____ heels could be heard clop-clopping along the hall _____. The footsteps came nearer, the door-handle turned and she entered, a small woman with thick hair, once chestnut, now the colour of faded string, pinned off her face and neck.

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As the door opened, his _____ tail drooped, his ears went back in fear and he cowered low to the floor.

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"It's all right, puss," she said. "I won't hurt you."

He _____, reassured by the softness of her _____, and looked up into her face.

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