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Answers will vary. Examples are given.

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Birds are singing happily to one another.

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Thunder roars angrily in the distance.

3. love

Love holds you tightly.

4. a tall building

The building watched over the whole town.

5. a ringing phone

The phone cried out for attention.

6. a hungry dog

The dog looked hopefully at his bowl.

7. a cloudy day

The sun hid behind the clouds.