A Stranger in the Clearing Spelling Words

Grade 3-6

1. rustled- to make a soft, muffled crackling sound caused by movement of dry leaves or paper
2. creatures-an animal, or person on this planet
3. horizon – the line at which the earth’s surface and the sky appear to meet
4. scampering – to run with quick light steps, especially through fear or excitement
5. crouching – a position where the knees are bet and the upper body is brought forward and down
6. amusement – the state or experience of finding something funny
7. chuckle – laugh quietly or inwardly
8. commotion – a state of confused an noisy disturbance
9. bramble -a prickly scrambling vine or shrub
10. laugh -to make a spontaneous sound of lively amusement
11. through -moving in one side and out the other
12. scurried – to move hurriedly with short quick steps
13. speckled – covered or marked with a large number of small spots or patches of color
14. whispered -speak very softly using one’s breath
15. special -someone or thing that is better than others/or things
16. forest - large area where trees grow very close together
17. neighborhood -one of the parts where people (or animals) live
18. mutation -a change in cell characteristics in one species
19. herbivore – an animal that only eats plants
20. adaptation – The act of changing behavior to fit into a situation
21. camouflage – the way in which some animals are colored and shaped to hide within their surroundings
22. mimicry – the way in which an animal takes the form or look of another
23. environment – the surroundings or conditions in which a person or animals lives
24. endangered – a species seriously at risk of extinction or disappearing from the earth