

**PRACTICE 16****VOCABULARY** Cloze

*Fill in each blank with the most suitable word from the box.
USE EACH WORD ONLY ONCE.*

ability

refused

language

separated

There was once a girl, Marie, who had special powers. She had the (1)_____ to talk to animals. She not only knew what they wanted and needed but also what they felt. She could speak their (2)_____.

One day, the horse in the farm (3)_____ to eat. Marie, the daughter of the farmer, asked the horse what happened. The horse was upset that the farmer had (4)_____ her from her foal. She missed her baby badly. Having understood the horse, Marie brought the foal back to her mother and the horses lived happily to this day.

**PRACTICE 17**

*Fill in each blank with the most suitable word from the box.
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word

adults

simple

talking

Pei Pei is a little girl. Her parents began (1)_____ to her in English since the day she was born. Pei Pei started speaking at a tender age of ten months. Her first (2)_____ was 'Dada' for her father which she babbled at six months old. She started saying (3)_____ words like 'Mama', 'milk' and 'nap' at about ten months. Soon, Pei Pei was talking to her parents and all the (4)_____ she knew. She has a vocabulary of about 200 words.