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A.: He **whispers** secrets to his best friend.

G.: The teacher made it clear that **whispering** in class is not allowed.

3. Snap

A.: I **snap** my fingers to the beat.

G.: **Snapping** photos is fun on trips.

4. Peek

A.: Baron **peeked** through the curtain to see if his mom had arrived.

G.: **Peeking** without permission can be considered a crime.

5. Whirl

A.: The vibrant red leaves **whirl** in the autumn wind.

G.: **Whirling** around the yard made me nauseous.