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Here is the same text but you have to complete it with the right words. The first letter is given, as is the number of letters for each word to be written.

Axel: Hey there young friend! I've just seen something terrible in the woods! I was down there getting ready to cut down a tree that had very big **r** _____. I was looking at its **h** _____ and the way the **b** _____ were growing when suddenly I saw something dark in the **l** _____, nearly at the **t** _____. The **f** _____ hid the shape from me. So, I examine the **b** _____ on the **t** _____, I look to see if the **g** _____ is clear. And just as I was making the first **c** ____ with my **c** _____, the tree began to shake, all by itself, just like that! So I stop and look... nothing! I start my chainsaw again and a huge great monkey jumps down from the **t** _____ and runs off into the **f** _____! A monster, my friend, with four arms! And worse still, it was using a mobile phone!

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Woodcutter

Article in The Gazette: Axel's job

Axel Timberland has always loved the woods, the countryside and the great outdoors. So at the age of 15, he took a two-year course in forestry work. Axel is a woodcutter in the lovely forests around Graphoville. "It's not exactly easy work!" Axel tells us, "and you have to work in all kinds of weather conditions. Cutting down trees, of course, but also uprooting unwanted plants like brambles, pruning saplings, and also planting if necessary.

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In the dense undergrowth in the forest, it's sometimes difficult to get to the trees to cut them down using special equipment, like a chainsaw, ropes, an axe, a hatchet, etc. Then, when the tree has fallen, you have to clean the trunk, cut it up, saw off the branches and pile the wood in steres. Axel is paid piecework, i.e. by the volume of wood he cuts. For the tree trunks which remain in one piece, he has to find a place in the woods where lorries can come to collect them. Sometimes he uses horses to pull the trunks...He works for the town council, and would not give up his job for anything!

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In a similar line of work, Axel could also have been: gardener - farmer - landscape gardener - game keeper - nurseryman - greenhouse gardener - horticulturalist - florist - wine grower - urban tree worker - forest warden - rural policeman - nature conservation officer - keeper in a nature reserve or national park - botanist...



A few words relating to a woodcutter's work:

Here is a text using a lot of words from the list. Read it carefully, as you will have to use the same words afterwards.

Axe	Bark	Bough
Branch	Chainsaw	Cut
Foliage	Forest	Ground
Height	Knot	Leaf (leaves)
Log	Pruning	Rope
Root	Sap	Saw
Stere	Tree	Treetop
Trunk	Wedge	Wood

Axel: Hey there young friend! I've just seen something terrible in the woods! I was down there getting ready to cut down a tree that had very big **roots**. I was looking at its **height** and the way the **branches** were growing when suddenly I saw something dark in the **leaves**, nearly at the **treetop**. The **foliage** hid the shape from me. So, I examine the **bark** on the **trunk**, I look to see if the **ground** is clear. And just as I was making the first **cut** with my **chainsaw**, the tree began to shake, all by itself, just like that! So I stop and look... nothing! I start my chainsaw again and a huge great monkey jumps down from the **tree** and runs off into the **forest**! A monster, my friend, with four arms! And worse still, it was using a mobile phone!