Use Shades of Meaning in Sentences

Select the word that has a *less intense* shade of meaning than the **bold word**. Then, write a new sentence using the *less intense* word.

1. I was **overjoyed** when my friends surprised me with a birthday party. I couldn’t stop smiling!

2. Karen is always **fearful** at night because she doesn’t like the dark.

3. My dog, Payton, **runs** to the backyard every afternoon to play with his ball.

4. I was **starving** at 5pm so my dad let me have an early dinner.

5. “It is **scorching** outside today!” Brian told Oscar. “I can’t believe it is already over 100 degrees in April.”

6. “Watch out!” I shouted as the baseball flew over the **giant** fence.