



Draw lines to match the bold word in each sentence to the word or phrase which is closest in meaning. Look up any words you don't know in a dictionary.

The animal's **hackles** rose and it leapt at the man.

pointless

I was forced to **devour** my food and drink as fast as I could.

putting out

Slowly, she **coaxed** the puppy to come to her.

slowly and quietly

Extinguishing the blaze was proving difficult.

gulp

It was **futile** to resist: I accepted the chocolate cake.

hairs

She moved **stealthily** round the corner and that's when she saw them.

persuaded

Which words or phrases have a similar meaning to the focus word? Write them in the spaces below.

blood-chilling

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