



THE INDIE CHILDREN'S BOOK AUTHOR

IDEA CHECKLIST

Setting – time and place:

Characters:

1. Main character(s)

2. Supporting characters

Conflict or Problem:

Resolution:

Theme:

Message:

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**STRONGER
VERBS THAT
ARE FUN**

The background features a light purple color with several stylized hot air balloons. The balloons are depicted with simple outlines and are arranged in a way that they appear to be floating upwards. The overall aesthetic is clean and modern, suitable for a children's book cover.



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STRONGER VERBS THAT ARE FUN

Using stronger verbs paints a vivid picture in your reader's mind, immersing them in the story.

Ask – beg, grill, quiz

Annoy – bug, irk, rile

Break – shatter, crack, splinter, crumble

Breathe – huff, wheeze, puff, gasp

Carry – haul, drag, heft

Climb – scale, hike, scramble

Close – slam,

Confuse – stump, baffle, puzzle, bamboozle

Cut – nick, snip, chop, dice

Drink – slurp, sip, gulp

Eat – devour, gobble, nibble, feast

Fall – plummet, plunge, topple, tumble

Fight – quibble, bicker,

Fix – Patch, Mend

Fly – soar, glide, flutter

Get – fetch

Hit – crash, bump, clobber, strike

Hold – clutch, grasp, clench

Hug – squeeze, cuddle

Jump – leap, hop, skip

Laugh – giggle, chuckle

Lie – fib

Look – gaze, peer, glance, stare, gawk

Make a Mistake – blunder, goof



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Move – wiggle, shuffle, stir, budge

Pull – yank, tug, jerk

Push – shove, thrust, nudge

Rotate – spin, swivel, twirl

Run – sprint, dash, bolt, zoom, dart

Run – dribble, drizzle, trickle, gush

Say – whisper, mumble, shout

Scratch – scuff, scrape

Shake – quiver, wobble, shiver, rattle

Shine – glitter, shimmer, twinkle, gleam, flicker

Sit – plops, perch, settle

Sleep – snooze, slumber, doze

Stop – halt, freeze

Swim – glide, whirl

Take – grab, snatch, snag

Throw – hurl, toss, heave

Touch – poke, tap, probe, jab, pat

Turn – pivot, swerve, veer

Walk – tiptoe, stride, amble, march, shuffle, stroll, waddle

Worry – fret, stew

Write – scribble, doodle, jot