Kate's Magical Cake

Name _____

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Kate the squirrel was getting ready for the famous seasonal bake contest. The formal contest was held in the village's central hall every summer. Kate felt very nervous as she packed up her things. She had baked an enormous cake, and she really wanted to win the first prize.

The cake had a base of tropical fruit and thick cream. It was a bright visual treat for the eyes! But as Kate took the cake into the large hall, she tripped on a slick, wet spot on the floor. The enormous cake tipped right over. With a loud crack, it split down the middle.

"Oh no!" cried Kate, looking at the big mess. "My cake is crushed before the contest can even begin. This is a very bad day." A big tear slid down her face. She thought about tossing the cake in the trash and going home.

Jane saw the sad sight. Jane was wise and she always knew how to fix things. She trotted over to help her friend. "Do not throw it out just yet," Jane said with a kind smile. "We can give it a personal touch and make it much better."

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Jane and Kate got to work right away. They did not try to hide the big crack in the cake. Instead, they used the split to make a gradual hill. Jane put various fresh berries and much more white cream on the top. "Now it looks just like a natural mountain of snow," said Jane.

The men who tested the food came to look. They did not see a typical round cake. They saw a magical mountain! The men tasted the sweet fruit and the rich cream. They were very happy with the natural shape and the good taste.

The main man smiled and struck a loud musical bell. "First prize goes to Kate and Jane!" he called out to the crowd. It was a joyous moment for the two best friends. The historical bake contest would be a sunny day they would always remember.

Circle or highlight all the words that end in -ous or -al in the story above. How many did you find?

I found _____ words.