

5-DAY VOCABULARY TEACHING PLAN

DAY 1 Introduce Target Vocabulary in Context

Materials: *Concept web, words in context sheet, word smart graphic organizer*

- Introduce vocabulary words and activate prior knowledge through discussion using a concept web, pictures, models, or toys.
- To provide a basis for understanding and discussion, read the words in context worksheet aloud with students. If appropriate, have them generate their own examples of words in context.

Classwork/Homework: Have students complete the word smart graphic organizer for select words. Encourage them to generate a synonym and an antonym, draw a picture, write a sentence, and formulate a definition for each selected vocabulary word, as appropriate for your group of students.

DAY 2 Use Vocabulary in Context and Reinforce Meaning

Materials: *Word cards, definition cards, analogy worksheet, cloze sentence worksheet*

- Review the word smart assignment from DAY 1. Allow students to discuss and compare their definitions and make revisions on their word smart worksheet.
- Give students the definition cards and have them check the part of speech and match the definition with the corresponding word card. If appropriate, give them the opportunity to use the definition cards to check and revise the definitions they wrote on their word smart worksheets.
- Using the word cards, encourage students to do an open sort or sort the words by part of speech. Additionally, you may choose to review the analogy worksheet with students. If appropriate, have them generate their own analogies.

Classwork/Homework: Have students apply their understanding of the vocabulary words by completing the cloze sentence worksheet.

DAY 3 Introduce and Apply Word-Attack Skills

Materials: *Word analysis worksheet or material for the exploration activity*

- Review the cloze sentence assignment from DAY 2.
- Introduce and discuss the word analysis or exploration activity to reinforce a skill, such as part of speech, common affixes, synonyms, antonyms, multiple meaning words, and so on.

Classwork/Homework: To reinforce word analysis skills, have students complete the word analysis worksheet or activity.

DAY 4 Review and Apply Words

Materials: *Word cards, vocabulary game, concept completion worksheet*

- Review the word analysis assignment from DAY 3.
- Choose a vocabulary game and have students play it to reinforce and review word meaning.

Classwork/Homework: To review and reinforce understanding, have students complete the concept completion worksheet.

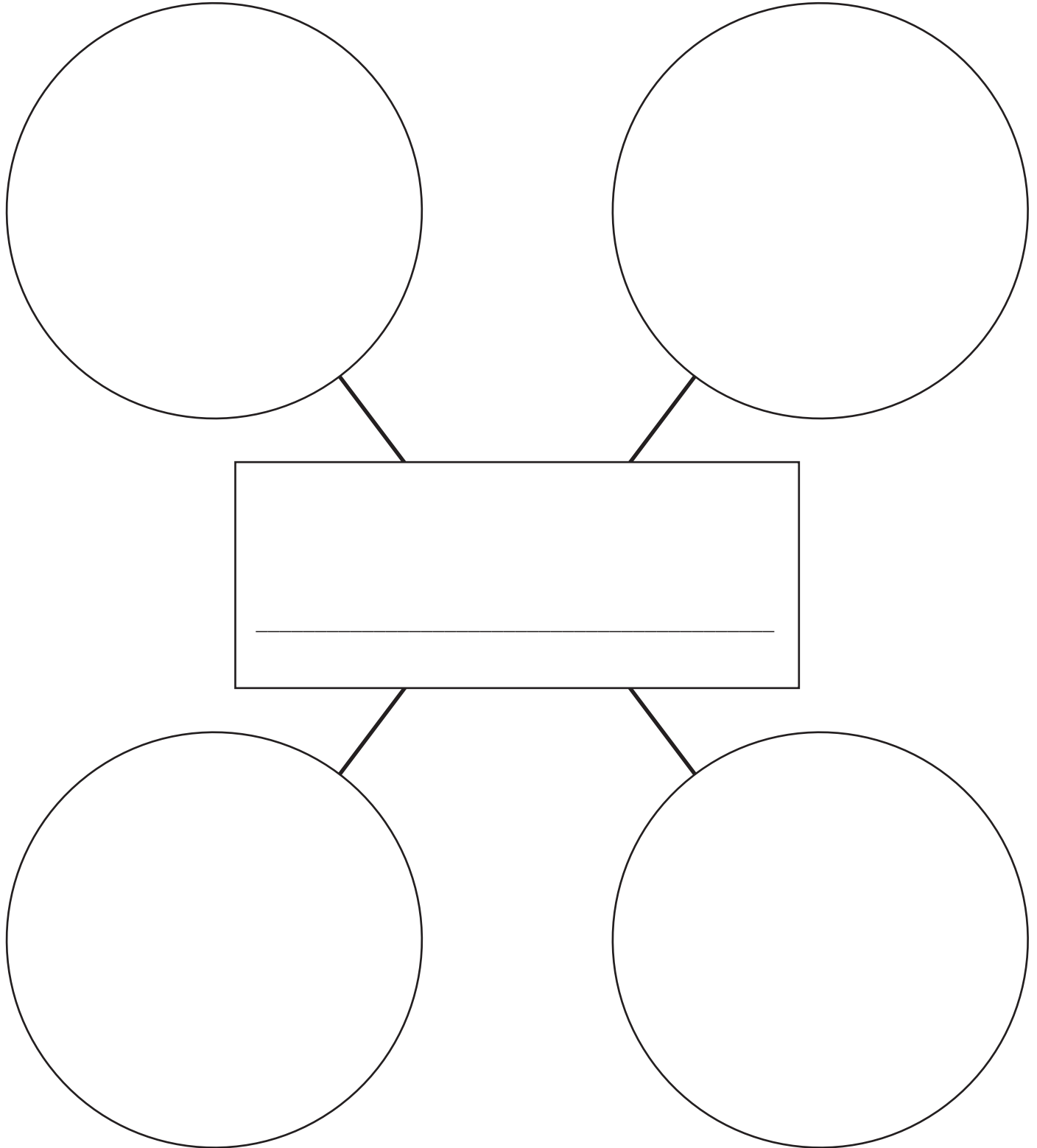
DAY 5 Assess

Materials: *Assessment, demonstration activity worksheet*

- Review the concept completion worksheet from DAY 4.
- Have students complete the multiple-choice assessment by either writing the correct choice in the blank or filling in the correct bubble.
- As an alternative assessment, have students participate in an activity selected from the vocabulary games sheet.

Name: _____

INSTRUCTIONS: Write a topic or word in the box. Then write details about the topic or word in the surrounding circles.



knew

(verb)

1. I **knew**, or learned, how to read when I was five.
2. My father **knew** a lot about fish when he was my age.
3. She **knew** how to speak French when she was a child, but then she forgot.

grew

(verb)

1. Today I grow, but yesterday I **grew**.
2. The sunflowers **grew**, or got bigger, last week.
3. My dog used to be a puppy, but he **grew** up.

were

(verb)

1. Yesterday we **were** sick, but today we are feeling better.
2. Where **were** you when I called?
3. All my aunts and uncles **were** at the party.

fled

(verb)

1. The criminal **fled**, or ran, when he heard a police siren.
2. Most of the golfers **fled** when the rain started, but a few stayed to finish the game.
3. All the animals **fled** from the approaching forest fire.

began

(verb)

1. I **began** to eat my snack, and later I finished it.
2. I **began**, or started, to draw a picture this morning.
3. It just **began** to snow.

worried

(verb)

1. The boy **worried**, or fretted, that someday the Sun might not rise and everything would stay dark.
2. Last week, Emily **worried** about playing in the big game, but she calmed down after practicing more.
3. My mom **worried** because I got home late.

swam

(verb)

1. The lifeguard **swam** out to save the drowning swimmer.
2. I **swam** with the dolphins when we went to Hawaii for vacation.
3. I dove into the deep end of the pool and **swam** to the shallow end.

became

(verb)

1. Our puppy **became**, or grew into, a much larger dog than we expected.
2. The band **became** famous after the release of their first CD.
3. Sadly, it **became** quite clear that the injured bird would not recover.

rang

(verb)

1. When the school bell **rang**, the loud sound let us know that it was time to line up.
2. My cell phone **rang** during the movie and disturbed the other viewers.
3. Other words that mean the same as **rang** are chimed and sounded.

sang

(verb)

1. The mom **sang** to her baby with her beautiful voice.
2. The choir **sang** many lovely songs.
3. We **sang** along to the songs on the radio.

shone

(verb)

1. Even though the curtains were closed, the light **shone**, or glistened, through the window.
2. Her beautiful blonde hair **shone** like gold.
3. The police officer **shone** a light in the suspect's eyes.

drank

(verb)

1. Today you drink, and yesterday you **drank**.
2. When I was sick with a cold, I **drank** a lot of orange juice.
3. After practice yesterday, I **drank**, or guzzled, an entire bottle of water.

knew

the past tense of "know";
to understand
(verb)

grew

the past tense of "grow";
to become bigger or
longer
(verb)

were

the past tense of "are"; a
form of "to be" for you or
for more than one person
(verb)

fled

the past tense of "flee"; to
run from something, often
from a dangerous
situation
(verb)

began

the past tense of "begin";
to start
(verb)

worried

the past tense of "worry";
to feel anxious or uneasy;
to be concerned that bad
things might happen
(verb)

swam

the past tense of "swim";
to move along on or in the
water using one's body
(*verb*)

became

the past tense of *become*;
to grow or turn into
(*verb*)

rang

the past tense of "ring"; to
sound a bell to call
someone or something
(*verb*)

sang

the past tense of "sing"; to
make musical sounds
with the voice
(verb)

shone

the past tense of "shine";
to give off bright light
(verb)

drank

the past tense of "drink";
to take in water or
another liquid
(verb)

Name: _____

An **analogy** shows a relationship between two sets of words. The words in the first pair must have the same relationship as the words in the second pair. To complete an analogy with a missing word, you must first discover the relationship between the completed pair. (Example: *Cat* is to *meow* as *dog* is to *bark*.)

learn**bleed****draw****write****know****run****fled****blow****is****wept****grinned****bring**

INSTRUCTIONS: Determine the relationship between the first pair of words. Then use the words in the word box to complete the second pair of words.

1. **Fled** is to *flee* ...as... **bled** is to _____.
2. **Knew** is to *learned* ...as... **know** is to _____.
3. **Drank** is to *drink* ...as... **brought** is to _____.
4. **Grew** is to *grow* ...as... **knew** is to _____.
5. **Began** is to *begin* ...as... **ran** is to _____.
6. **Became** is to *turned into* ...as... **disappeared** is to _____.
7. **Rang** is to *chimed* ...as... **smiled** is to _____.
8. **Shone** is to *shine* ...as... **blew** is to _____.
9. **Were** is to *are* ...as... **was** is to _____.

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INSTRUCTIONS: Determine the relationship between the first pair of words. Then use the words in the word box to complete the second pair of words.

10. **Worried** is to *fretted* ...as... **cried** is to _____.
11. **Swam** is to *swim* ...as... **drew** is to _____.
12. **Sang** is to *sing* ...as... **wrote** is to _____.

Name: _____

knew**fled****swam****sang****grew****began****became****shone****were****worried****rang****drank**

INSTRUCTIONS: Use the vocabulary words in the word box above to complete the sentences below.

1. My feet _____ too big to fit into my red shoes.
2. We had car trouble on the way to the airport, and I _____ that we would miss our flight.
3. The children _____ and danced at the show.
4. The telephone _____ and woke the sleeping child.
5. The sun _____ brightly in the cloudless sky.
6. We _____ chocolate milk with lunch yesterday.
7. Yesterday, I _____ ten laps in the pool.
8. Two of my friends _____ out of town last weekend.
9. I _____ , or was sure about, how the story would end.

Name: _____

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INSTRUCTIONS: Use the vocabulary words in the word box above to complete the sentences below.

10. Many people have _____ their country because of war or famine.
11. Last week, I _____ to learn Spanish.
12. I **became** quite sick after eating the undercooked chicken.

Name: _____

A **verb** is a word that shows action or a state of being.

INSTRUCTIONS: Read the words below. Circle all of the verbs. Then write 12 complete sentences using one or more of the verbs in each sentence.

grew**rang****shone****worried****fled****became****knew****began****sang****swam****were****drank**

1. _____.
2. _____.
3. _____.
4. _____.
5. _____.
6. _____.
7. _____.
8. _____.
9. _____.
10. _____.
11. _____.
12. _____.

Write three words that are not verbs.

INSTRUCTIONS: Assign one or more of the following activities to reinforce the function of verbs.

VERBS

Make a Sentence

Materials: Word cards, box or envelope, strips of paper

Place all the word cards in a box or envelope. Have students pull out a word card and use their chosen word to create a written or oral sentence.

Mime It!

Materials: Word cards, box or envelope

Place all the word cards in a box or envelope. Have students pull out a word card and act it out. Have classmates try to guess the word. The first player to correctly guess the word gets to keep the word card. The player holding the most word cards at the end of the game wins.

Pick a Synonym or Antonym

Materials: Word cards, action cards

Place all the word and action cards in a box or envelope. Have students pull out a card and, if applicable, give a synonym or antonym for the chosen word. (You may choose to omit words that do not have synonyms or antonyms, or you may choose to include them as points of discussion.)

True or False?

Materials: Vocabulary word list

Place the vocabulary word list where everyone can see it, and have students gather in a circle. Invite the first student to create a sentence with one of the verbs from the word list using the initial frame: A (noun) can (verb). [For example, using the vocabulary word *race*, a student might say: *A car can race.*] Then, the next student in the circle completes the sentence by adding the second frame: *A car can race, but it can never (verb), true or false?* [*A car can race, but it can never jog, true or false?*] Then, have the next student tell whether he or she believes the sentence to be true or false. If the student guesses correctly, he or she can start a new sentence using another vocabulary word. If the student guesses incorrectly, he or she loses the opportunity to start a sentence, and play continues with the next player.

Concentration

Materials: *Word cards, definition cards*

Make copies of the reproducible word and definition cards. Cut them out. Place the cards face down on a table. Have students match each word card with its corresponding definition card.

Draw It

Materials: *Word cards, definition cards, dry-erase board and marker*

Make two-sided copies of the reproducible word and definition cards so that the words are on one side of the page and the corresponding definitions are on the flip side. Place all the word cards in a box or envelope. Have a student pick a card and not allow his or her classmates to see it. Then have the student draw a picture of the word on a dry-erase board while the other players guess the word. The first player to correctly guess the word gets to keep the word card. The player holding the most word cards at the end of the game wins.

Flash Cards

Materials: *Word cards, definition cards*

Make two-sided copies of the reproducible word and definition cards and cut them apart so that the words are on one side of the cards and the corresponding definitions are on the flip side. Have students quiz each other on word meaning using the cards. Then, to assess understanding, hold up each card (word side out) and have students say the word's meaning. After you've made your way through the entire deck, flip the cards over (definition side out) and have students say the word based on the definition.

I Would, I Wouldn't

Materials: *Word cards*

Make copies of the word cards. Place all the word cards in a box or envelope and have pairs of students choose a word. Have the first student in the pair begin the game by using his or her vocabulary word to complete a sentence that begins with: "I would..." (I would like to know more about how a *tornado* is formed.) The second student in the pair then follows by using the same vocabulary word to complete a sentence that begins with: "I wouldn't ever..." (I wouldn't ever want to get caught in a *tornado*.) As pairs of students continue to pick words and complete "I would..." and "I wouldn't..." sentences, encourage responses that show they understand the meaning of the word.

Jumble It

Materials: *Word list, writing paper*

Place a vocabulary word list where everyone can see it and give each student a sheet of writing paper. Explain that students are to make a word jumble for a partner. They are to choose the vocabulary words at random and write them, one word per line, in a mixed-up fashion in a column along the left side of their paper, leaving room on the right side for their partner to unscramble the word. When students have finished jumbling their words, have them trade papers with their partner to solve each other's jumble. The first partner to unscramble the words correctly is the winner.

Once Upon a Time

Materials: *Word cards*

Make copies of the word cards. Cut them apart and place them face down in front of a pair or group of students. Have students take turns drawing a word card and using the word to complete the sentence, "Once upon a time, I..." (This activity can be completed aloud or in writing.)

It's in the Bag

Materials: *Word cards, action cards, sentence cards, three paper bags*

Make a copy of each set of cards (word cards, action cards, and sentence cards). Place each set of cards in a separate paper bag. Label one bag "Word Bag," one "Action Bag," and one "Sentence Bag." Then have each student pick a word card from the Word Bag and read the card aloud. Next, have him or her pick a card from the Action and/or Sentence Bag and use his or her chosen vocabulary word to do as the card(s) instruct. For an added challenge, allow students to select more than one action or sentence card to use with their word. Play until each student has had the chance to read and use his or her word, or as time allows.

Quick Change

Materials: *Word list, dry-erase marker, old sock, plastic-topped desk or dry-erase board for each player*

Have students stand in front of their plastic-topped (NOT wooden) desk with a dry-erase marker and an old sock. Post the vocabulary list where everyone can see it. Tell students that when you say "go," they are to choose a word on the list and draw a picture of it on their desk or dry-erase board. When you say "stop," they are to stop and move to the desk to their right. Then have each student guess which vocabulary word is depicted in the drawing on their new desk. They should then check their answer with the person to their right who drew it. Then have them erase that drawing and begin playing again with a different word. Allow students to continue moving around the room, drawing each new word at a new desk. The game ends when all the words have been used or time runs out.

Scavenger Hunt

Materials: *Word cards, newspapers, textbooks, magazines*

Have students go on a scavenger hunt by searching in newspapers, textbooks, and magazines for the words on the vocabulary word list.

Story Train

Materials: *Word cards, writing paper*

Hand each student a word card and a sheet of writing paper. Explain that the goal of the game is to complete group stories. Give students a specific time limit in which to write, such as two minutes. Have them use the word on their word card to begin writing a story. At the end of the allotted time period, have them pass their story paper to the student on their left. Each student should then read the beginning of the story he or she received and add to it using his or her word card. Before ending the exercise, let students know that the last round has begun and have them write a conclusion to the story. Invite those who write the conclusion to read the entire story aloud.

Word Associations

Materials: *Word cards, timer*

Make copies of the word cards. Cut them apart and place them face down in front of a group of at least four students. Have students take turns drawing a card. After everyone has drawn a card, start the timer. Have one member of the group name all the things he or she can associate with his or her word in the time allotted. Have another player record the words and another player tally how many words were named. Then have another player check the associations. When the timer is done, players may challenge any association the featured player named. If the player cannot justify the association, the player loses 5 points. If the player can justify the association, the challenger loses 5 points. Play continues until all the words have been played or until time runs out. All unchallenged words earn 1 point for the player. The player with the most points at the end of the game wins.

Word Lotto

Materials: *Word cards, definition cards*

Make copies of the reproducible word cards and definition cards. Place the word cards face up on the table. Place the definitions in a stack face down. Have players draw a definition card and match it to the word card. You may wish to play again using the definition cards face up and the word cards in a stack face down.

Wordo

Materials: *Wordo game board, word cards, definition cards, place markers*

Make copies of the reproducible Wordo game board to hand out to students. Write each of the vocabulary words on the board. Then have students write each word once in any blank square on their Wordo game board. Have them read the word or definition for each vocabulary word one at a time. Have students use a place marker to cover the square on their paper that contains the word you read or defined. The first student to fill in a row of squares shouts "Wordo!" and wins. Verify student answers by having them read each covered word and then telling you the word's definition.

Which Word?

Materials: *Word cards*

Make copies of the word cards. Cut them apart and place them face down in front of a pair or group of students. Have students take turns drawing two cards at a time. Begin by having the first player use one of the chosen words to complete a sentence that begins with: "Which word would I use...?" Then have the speaker show his or her words, and ask the other player(s) to choose which word the speaker was thinking of when composing his or her sentence.

Example:

eye

ear

Which word would I use to hear a cat meowing?

Use the word in a sentence
with a hippopotamus.

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
with an alien.

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
**with a peanut butter
and jelly sandwich.**

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
with a chicken.

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
with a superhero.

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
with a lizard.

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
with a scientist.

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
with a monkey.

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
with the president.

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
with a worm.

 SENTENCE CARD

THE SENTENCE CARDS CAN BE USED WITH THE "IT'S IN THE BAG" GAME.

Use the word in a sentence
with a gooey lollipop.

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
with a banana.

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
with a million dollars.

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
about taking a test.

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
about a rock concert.

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
about a video game.

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
**about eating something
that tastes bad.**

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
**about sailing
across the ocean.**

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
about a mysterious box.

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
**about winning
a contest.**

 SENTENCE CARD

THE SENTENCE CARDS CAN BE USED WITH THE "IT'S IN THE BAG" GAME.

Use the word in a sentence
about reaching a goal.

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
about a football game.

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
with a friend.

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
with a funny hat.

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
with Elvis.

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
with a magician.

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
about a vacation.

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
about life in the city.

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
**about living
on the moon.**

 SENTENCE CARD

Use the word in a sentence
about saving the day.

 SENTENCE CARD

THE SENTENCE CARDS CAN BE USED WITH THE "IT'S IN THE BAG" GAME.

Give a
synonym.

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Give an
antonym.

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Use the word in a
sentence.

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Use the word in a
sentence.

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Show
the word without talking.

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Show
the word without talking.

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Describe it!

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Describe it!

 VocabularyA-Z.com ACTION CARD

THE ACTION CARDS CAN BE USED WITH THE "IT'S IN THE BAG" GAME.

CHANCE CARD

Skip-a-roo!

Use this card at any time to skip a turn.

CHANCE CARD

Skip-a-roo!

Use this card at any time to skip a turn.

CHANCE CARD



The card holder reverses direction.

CHANCE CARD



The card holder reverses direction.

CHANCE CARD

Draw 2

The card holder must draw two cards.

CHANCE CARD

Draw 2

The card holder must draw two cards.

CHANCE CARD

SLAM!

The card holder chooses another player to take his or her turn.

CHANCE CARD

SLAM!

The card holder chooses another player to take his or her turn.

CHANCE CARD

CELEBRATE!

Card holder's choice:

- Skip a turn.
- Reverse direction of play.
- Have another player draw two cards.
- Have another player take the card holder's turn.

CHANCE CARD

CELEBRATE!

Card holder's choice:

- Skip a turn.
- Reverse direction of play.
- Have another player draw two cards.
- Have another player take the card holder's turn.

THE CHANCE CARDS CAN BE USED WITH ANY CARD GAME.

Name: _____

INSTRUCTIONS: Use what you know about the vocabulary words to complete the following sentences.

1. The ducks **swam** _____.
2. I **began** school when _____.
3. After many weeks, the tadpole **became** _____.
4. I wish a **knew** how to _____.
5. Last summer, we **were** _____.
6. I **worried** that _____.
7. The other day, I **drank** the best _____.
8. When the doorbell **rang**, _____.
9. The sun **shone** through _____.
10. I **grew** too big to _____.
11. She **fled** when _____.
12. I **sang** a song at _____.

Name: _____

INSTRUCTIONS: Choose the best answer to complete each statement.

- I knew, or was _____, I would not fall.
 (a) sure
 (b) uncertain
 (c) unsure
- If bear cubs grew, they got _____.
 (a) bigger
 (b) hungry
 (c) sick
- _____ were at the same movie I went to.
 (a) She
 (b) They
 (c) He
- They fled to _____.
 (a) find out more
 (b) get away quickly
 (c) relax and enjoy themselves
- Began means the same as _____.
 (a) started
 (b) rested
 (c) stopped
- Worried is a synonym for _____.
 (a) flattered
 (b) frustrated
 (c) fretted
- Swam is the past tense of _____.
 (a) swing
 (b) sweep
 (c) swim
- Became means the same as _____.
 (a) shrank
 (b) turned into
 (c) disappeared
- If the phone rang, it made _____.
 (a) a smell
 (b) a flicker
 (c) a sound
- If you sang a song, you used your _____.
 (a) voice
 (b) hands
 (c) feet
- If something shone, it gave off _____.
 (a) darkness
 (b) bright light
 (c) a bad smell
- Another word for drank is _____.
 (a) muzzled
 (b) puzzled
 (c) guzzled