

Challenging Words

Ideas

Library media specialists can:

- Create clever vocabulary and book displays.
- Distribute word find activities and crossword puzzles.
- Alert teachers that word lists are available on the Internet site.

Students can:

- define words using
 - placement in context or
 - dictionary definition or
 - prior knowledge.
- write sentences with words.
- create a short story using words.
- find synonyms and/or antonyms for words in list.
- recognize prefixes, suffixes, and/or root words in list.
- change the word to another part of speech or verb tense.

Becoming Naomi León

abomination	(p. 24 PB)	mulled	(p. 5 PB)
ambience	(p. 57 PB)	mutism	(p. 23 PB)
apparition	(p. 17 PB)	pell-mell	(p. 163 PB)
caterwaul	(p. 107 PB)	predisposition	(p. 11 PB)
chaffed	(p. 220 PB)	raspy	(p. 218 PB)
conviction	(p. 33 PB)	revel	(p. 217 PB)
countrified	(p. 4 PB)	tainted	(p. 192 PB)
gnarled	(p. 88 PB)	whirling dervish	(p. 29 PB)
iota	(p. 6 PB)	whorl	(p. 192 PB)
louvered	(p. 24 PB)		

The Boy Who Spoke Dog

canopy	(p. 37 PB)	keeled	(p. 13 PB)
dingo	(p. 37 PB)	lanolin	(p. 3 PB)
ewe	(p. 6 PB)	lolling	(p. 38 PB)
flank	(p. 97 PB)	paring	(p. 9 PB)
gaunt	(p. 38 PB)	ravine	(p. 34 PB)
gimbals	(p. 9 PB)	riggings	(p. 13 PB)
gunwale	(p. 16 PB)	sapling	(p. 98 PB)
heelers	(p. 7 PB)	scurfy	(p. 38 PB)
jackal	(p. 37 PB)	teetered	(p. 5 PB)
		vigilance	(p. 5 PB)

Chasing the Falconers

amnesia	(p. 98 PB)	piranhas	(p. 64 PB)
belligerently	(p. 69 PB)	proffered	(p. 43 PB)
claustrophobic	(p. 133 PB)	ramshackle	(p. 48 PB)
derisive	(p. 76 PB)	similarities	(p. 114 PB)
excavation	(p. 96 PB)	suffocating	(p. 65 PB)
festooned	(p. 75 PB)	tarpaulins	(p. 73 PB)
frenzied	(p. 124 PB)	thoroughfare	(p. 53 PB)
glowered	(p. 103 PB)	tormenting	(p. 117 PB)
intimidation	(p. 112 PB)	unceremoniously	(p. 43 PB)
jaundiced	(p. 57 PB)	vividly	(p. 42 PB)

Cryptid Hunters

anthropologist	(p. 68 PB)	pantomime	(p. 278 PB)
distraught	(p. 12 PB)	paraphernalia	(p. 40 PB)
dormitory	(p. 2 PB)	parchment	(p. 49 PB)
executor	(p. 19 PB)	preening	(p. 285 PB)
exhilarating	(p. 201 PB)	promontory	(p. 35 PB)
exterminator	(p. 13 PB)	resilient	(p. 159 PB)
grueling	(p. 272 PB)	sanctum	(p. 2 PB)
horrendous	(p. 96 PB)	stylus	(p. 46 PB)
hypothermia	(p. 97 PB)	succumbing	(p. 257 PB)
implausible	(p. 51 PB)	unorthodox	(p. 81 PB)

Double Dutch

accusations	(p. 28 PB)	intricate	(p. 41 PB)
assurance	(p. 50 PB)	menacing	(p. 3 PB)
compulsory	(p. 32 PB)	morosely	(p. 66 PB)
exultation	(p. 42 PB)	overwhelmed	(p. 21 PB)
fretful	(p. 28 PB)	polynomials	(p. 49 PB)
furiously	(p. 7 PB)	proficiency	(p. 8 PB)
gruesome	(p. 57 PB)	sauntered	(p. 33 PB)
hallucinations	(p. 36 PB)	trudged	(p. 76 PB)
incomprehensible	(p. 10 PB)	unflinching	(p. 10 PB)

Flush

absurdity	(p. 98 HB)	embezzlement	(p. 259 HB)
anomaly	(p. 102 HB)	felony	(p. 99 HB)
arson	(p. 251 HB)	Gizmo	(p. 111 HB)
bogus	(p. 91 HB)	humongous	(p. 92 HB)

cinder	(p. 252 HB)	incriminating	(p. 85 HB)
consignment	(p. 31 HB)	martyr	(p. 22 HB)
contrail	(p. 156 HB)	mopey	(p. 35 HB)
cringing	(p. 54 HB)	skeptical	(p. 91 HB)
deluded	(p. 63 HB)	skiff	(p. 9 HB)
		vat	(p. 56 HB)

Gilda Joyce: Psychic Investigator

abhorred	(p. 30 HB)	futile	(p. 134 HB)
aloof	(p. 83 HB)	illustrious	(p. 3 HB)
ambivalence	(p. 203 HB)	impishly	(p. 137 HB)
arbitrary	(p. 6 HB)	jovial	(p. 192 HB)
austere	(p. 40 HB)	lurid	(p. 14 HB)
blithely	(p. 210 HB)	opulent	(p. 76 HB)
chided	(p. 99 HB)	perfunctory	(p. 102 HB)
diminutive	(p. 87 HB)	perused	(p. 5 HB)
disdain	(p. 185 HB)	ponderous	(p. 3 HB)
fortuitous	(p. 6 HB)	reverie	(p. 26 HB)

Lily's Ghosts

aggrieved	(p. 79 PB)	morphing	(p. 7 PB)
anonymous	(p. 30 PB)	numismatics	(p. 197 PB)
atoms	(p. 1 PB)	paranoid	(p. 63 PB)
diaphanous	(p. 37 PB)	parlor	(p. 4 PB)
drone	(p. 25 PB)	perturbed	(p. 91 PB)
festooned	(p. 46 PB)	placards	(p. 108 PB)
fluorescent	(p. 173 PB)	privateer	(p. 92 PB)
hyperventilating	(p. 115 PB)	rupee	(p. 197 PB)
microfilm	(p. 95 PB)	voluminous	(p. 7 PB)

May Bird and the Ever After

disorienting	(p. 89 HB)	melancholy	(p. 213 HB)
eccentric	(p. 10 HB)	plaintive	(p. 312 HB)
ectoplasm	(p. 137 HB)	rifling	(p. 225 HB)
encountered	(p. 151 HB)	scythe	(p. 114 HB)
exorcising	(p. 137 HB)	shenanigans	(p. 1 prologue HB)
flabbergasted	(p. 167 HB)	splintering	(p. 67 HB)
fray	(p. 55 HB)	wretched	(p. 181 HB)
knell	(p. 73 HB)	vigil	(p. 245 HB)

Overboard

achingly	(p. 38 PB)	lethargy	(p. 115 PB)
buoy	(p. 138 PB)	overexposed	(p. 156 PB)
charitable	(p. 107 PB)	penitent	(p. 111 PB)
contiguous	(p. 50 PB)	perimeter	(p. 141 PB)
debris	(p. 120 PB)	plummeted	(p. 136 PB)
equilibrium	(p. 61 PB)	residue	(p. 132 PB)
haphazard	(p. 13 PB)	thrashing	(p. 68 PB)
impassively	(p. 145 PB)	uncontrollably	(p. 135 PB)
insurmountable	(p. 120 PB)	vibrato	(p. 56 PB)

Peter and the Starcatchers

apparition	(p. 102 PB)	malignant	(p. 49 PB)
ascending	(p. 59 PB)	mutiny	(p. 398 PB)
chortling	(p. 258 PB)	ominous	(p. 246 PB)
contempt	(p. 48 PB)	prow	(p. 101 PB)
dank	(p. 53 PB)	relentless	(p. 205 PB)
decrepit	(p. 15 PB)	riffraff	(p. 28 PB)
feint	(p. 436 PB)	ruse	(p. 185 PB)
gangway	(p. 18 PB)	scow	(p. 25 PB)
languidly	(p. 59 PB)	smirking	(p. 41 PB)
luminescent	(p. 144 PB)	vermin	(p. 34 PB)

Quake! Disaster in San Francisco, 1906

bar mitzvah	(p. 4 PB)	kosher	(p. 75 PB)
blanketed	(p. 1 PB)	nuggets	(p. 39 PB)
brogue	(p. 54 PB)	peddler	(p. 4 PB)
bubonic plague	(p. 108 PB)	porcelain	(p. 50 PB)
calamity	(p. 33 PB)	produce	(p. 18 PB)
cobblestones	(p. 3 PB)	refugee	(p. 80 PB)
conscripted	(p. 62 PB)	repast	(p. 58 PB)
handbill	(p. 10 PB)	ringlets	(p. 13 PB)
jig	(p. 62 PB)	skittish	(p. 22 PB)
Kaddish	(p. 40 PB)	temblor	(p. 33 PB)

The Return of Gabriel

absentia	(p.142 PB)	initiation	(p. 9 PB)
bluff	(p. 5 PB)	insistent	(p. 6 PB)
camouflage	(p.15 PB)	kudzu	(p. 55 PB)
congregation	(p. 58 PB)	machete	(p. 4 PB)
dilapidated	(p. 23 PB)	oppressed	(p.109 PB)
exasperated	(p. 75 PB)	sauntered	(p. 72 PB)
furrowed	(p. 79 PB)	sharecropper	(p. 23 PB)
hypocrite	(p. 54 PB)	skeptical	(p. 98 PB)
incinerated	(p. 84 PB)	skepticism	(p.13 PB)
indignant	(p. 70 PB)	vengeance	(p.185 PB)

The Revealers

coincidence	(p. 138 PB)	natural habitat	(p. 50 PB)
dawdle	(p. 4 PB)	obsessed	(p. 18 PB)
distribution list	(p. 77 PB)	outsmarted	(p. 165 PB)
feisty	(p. 94 PB)	pathetic	(p. 104 PB)
fixate	(p. 43 PB)	predators	(p. 9 PB)
harassment	(p. 194 PB)	prolific	(p. 82 PB)
hypothesis	(p. 194 PB)	tough-guy	(p. 144 PB)

Truesight

accentuate	(p. 97 PB)	incapacitated	(p. 138 PB)
adornment	(p. 3 PB)	metronome	(p. 100 PB)
angst	(p. 172 PB)	orbital	(p. 5 PB)
anodyne	(p. 146 PB)	recapitulation	(p. 36 PB)
antiquity	(p. 4 PB)	staccato	(p. 99 PB)
bunker	(p. 10 PB)	traipsing	(p. 34 PB)
demigod	(p. 10 PB)	zenith	(p. 16 PB)
hydraulics	(p. 92 PB)		