

Word Nerds: Teaching All Students to Learn and Love Vocabulary

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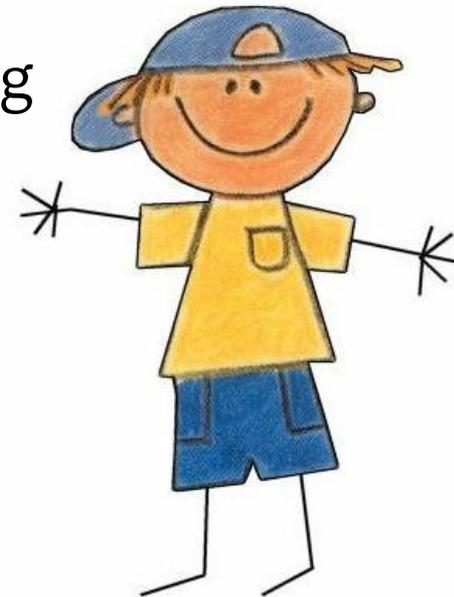


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Characteristics of Effective Vocabulary Instruction

- Does not rely on definitions.
- Represents knowledge of words in linguistic and nonlinguistic ways.
- Involves the gradual shaping of word meanings through multiple exposures.
- Teaches word parts to enhance understanding of terms.
- Discusses terms.
- Plays with words.

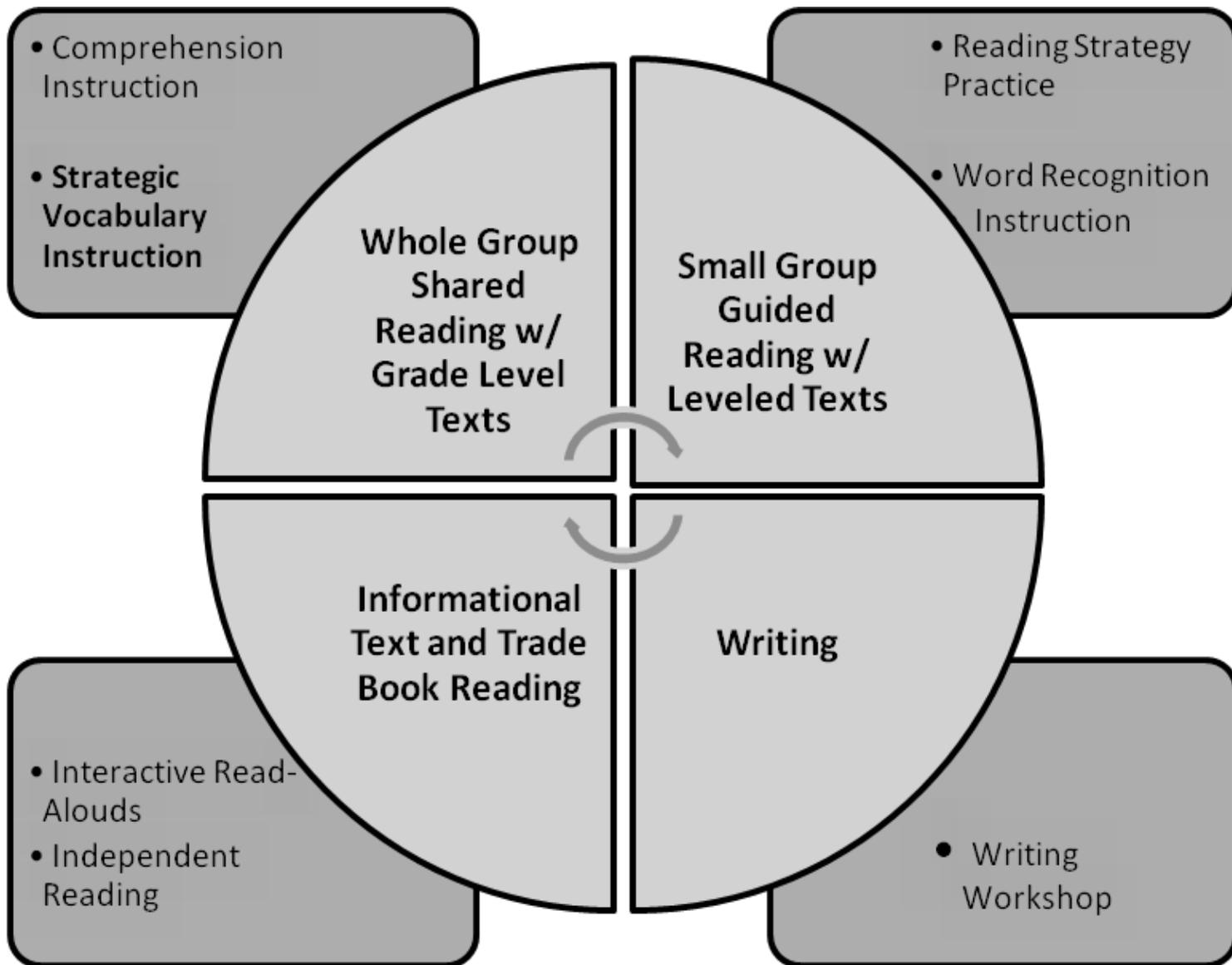
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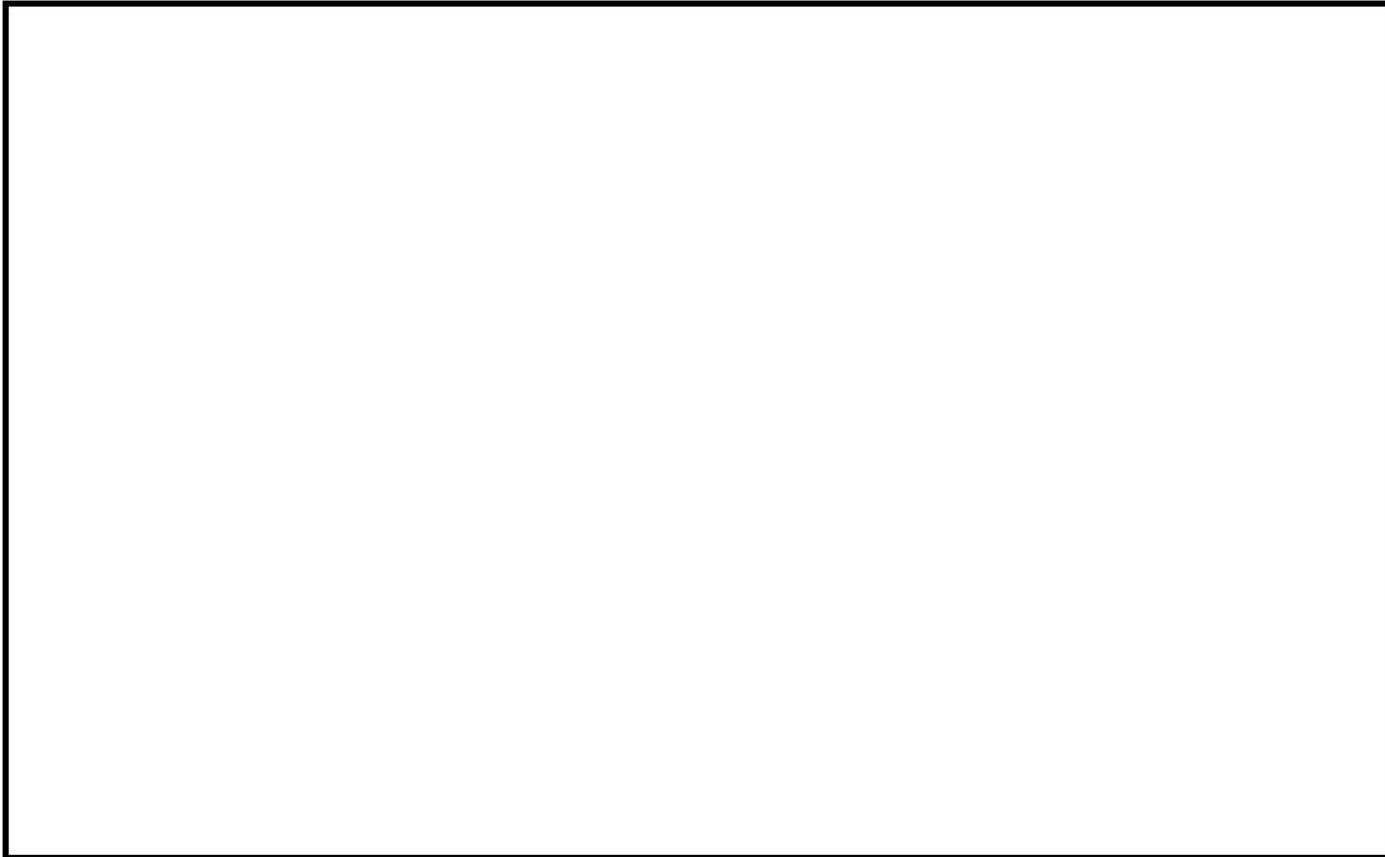
“Word Confidence”



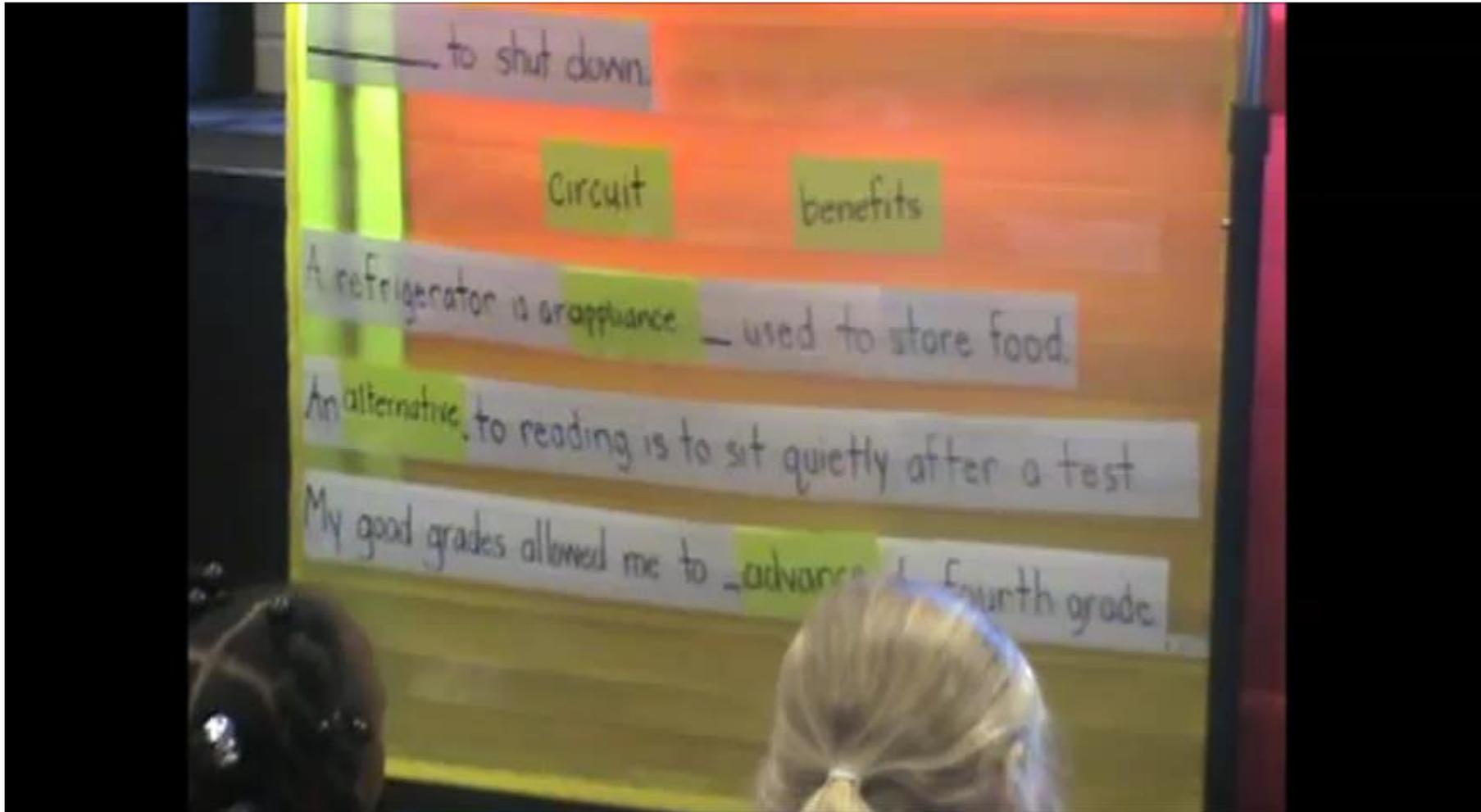
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Part 1—Introduce Words



Introducing the Words



encourage to make someone feel good about doing something

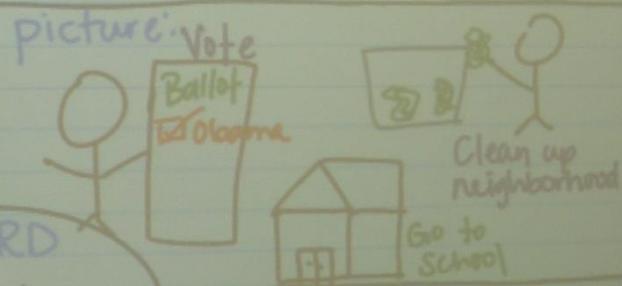
protest to disagree with something

civic something that has to do with your

community, state, or country

Theme 14 Vocabulary

definition: **adj.**
Something that has to
do with your community,
state, or country



WORD
CIVIC

Synonyms/examples:

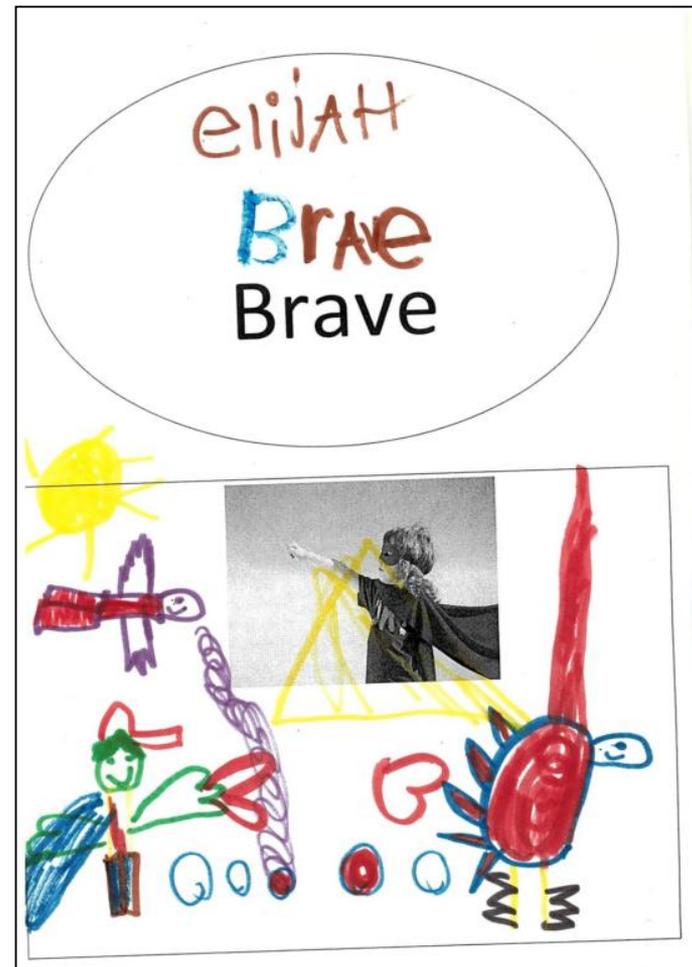
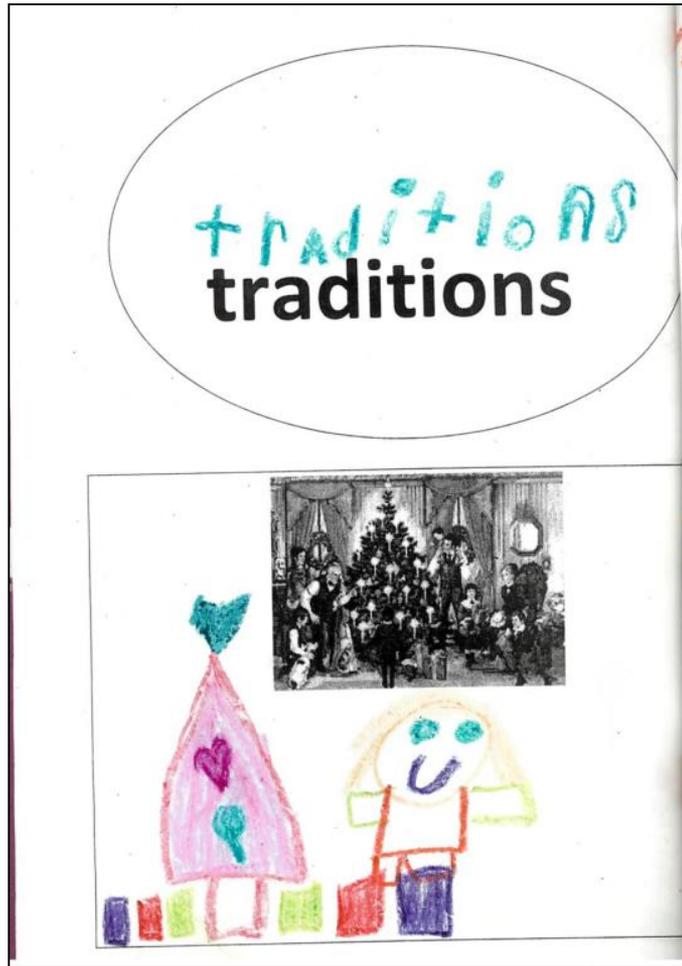
antonyms/non-examples:

Sentence: **UP**
It is my civic duty to

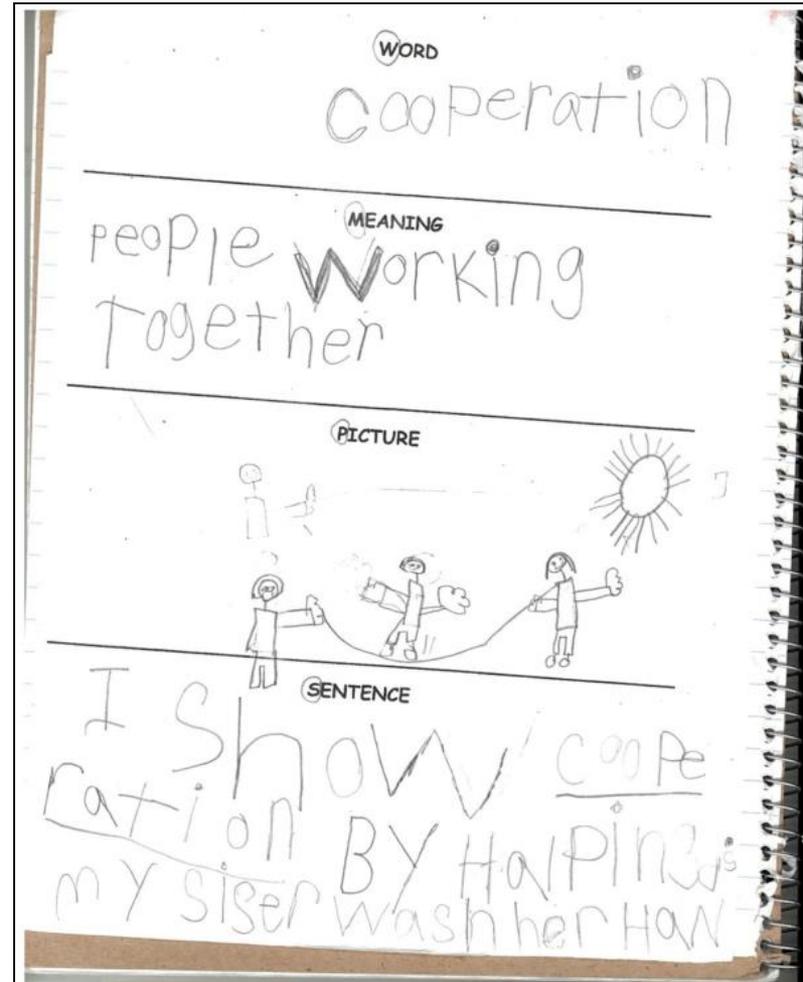
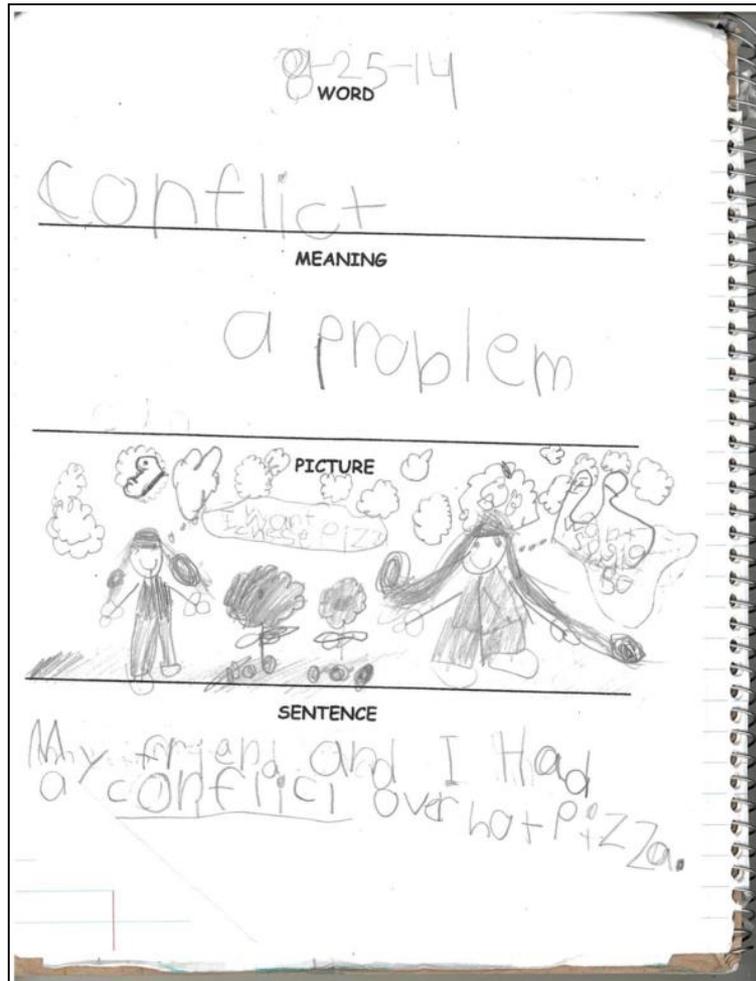
<p>Definition: noun</p> <p>a group of people sharing common interests and government</p>	<p>Picture:</p>
<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; width: 60px; height: 60px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> <p>Word Community</p> </div>	<p>solitary omnipotent</p>
<p>neighborhood, public, town, population, alliance, Fellowship</p>	<p>Synonyms/Examples:</p>
<p>Antonyms/Non-Examples:</p>	<p>Synonyms/Examples:</p>
<p>Sentence: ^{7up} In my <u>community</u> there are parks, boy girls club, nice neighbors, Shawnee park, Ohio river, much more to see.</p>	

<p>Definition: noun</p> <p>wanting to improve your life or make it better</p>	<p>Picture:</p>
<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; width: 60px; height: 60px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> <p>Word <u>ambition</u></p> </div>	<p>Failure, unmotivated, indifferent, apathy</p>
<p>Desire, goal, wish, aim, objective aspiration (goal) Motivated</p>	<p>Synonyms/Examples:</p>
<p>Antonyms/Non-Examples:</p>	<p>Synonyms/Examples:</p>
<p>Sentence: ^{7up} I have to have <u>ambition</u> if I am going to go to college for my masters, bachelors and my PhD. I'm very determined to do it. I plan on becoming a teacher and magazine editor.</p>	

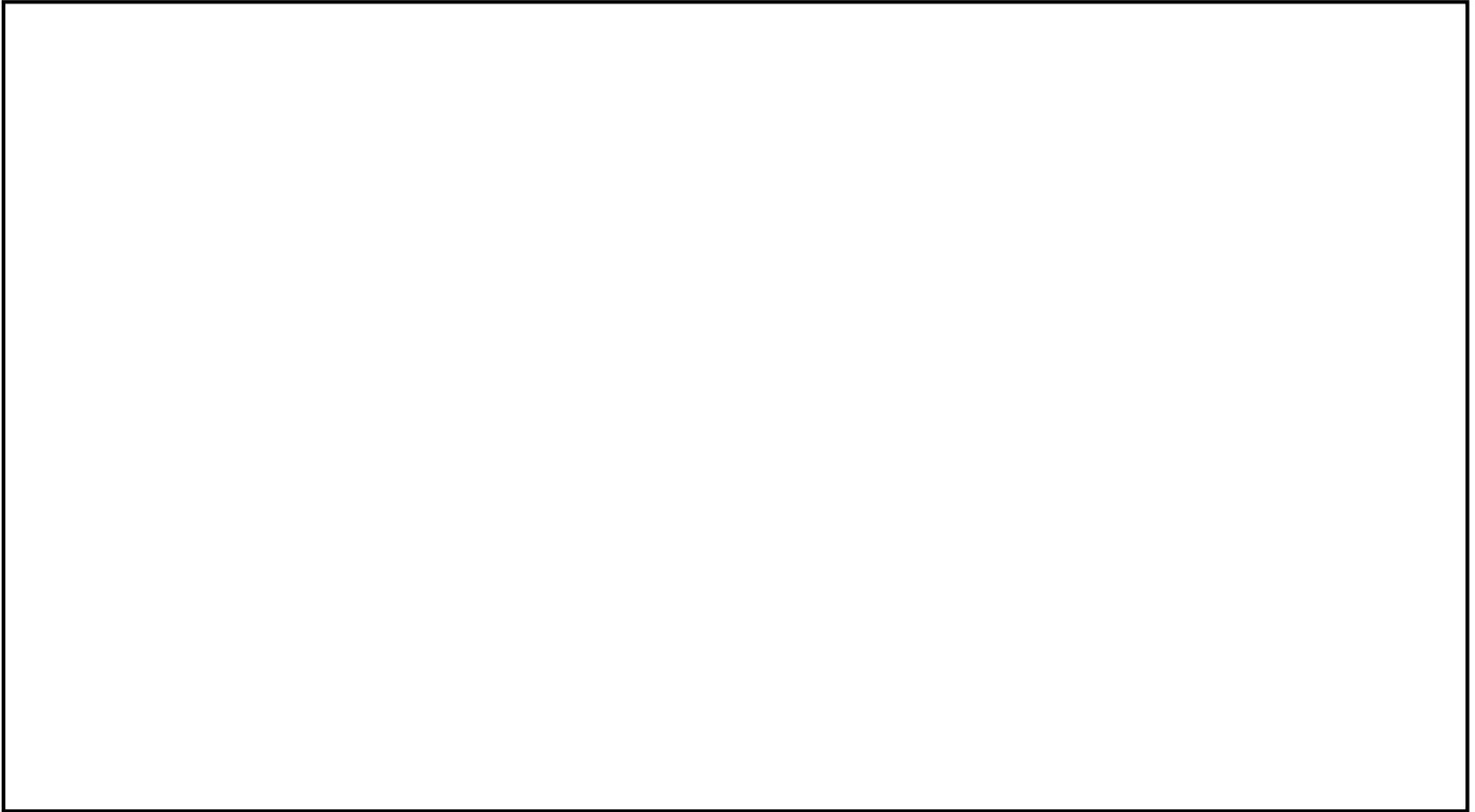
Kindergarten Journal Examples



Grade 1 Journal Examples



Part 2 – Synonyms & Antonyms





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Vocabulary	Synonym	Antonym
bewilderment	baffled Perplex	apparent Unmistakable
Sacrifice	Surrender forfeit	greedy Self-centered
interaction	influence mingle	Solitary isolated
Tropical	hot equatorial	frigid polar
ecosystem	Connection environment	disconnected Unattached
beneficial	Advantageous Productive	adverse injurious

Community
 group
 alliance
 omnipotent
 solitary
ancestors
 forefathers
 forebearers
 descendant
company
 partner
 erone
 don
 ity
 n
ambition
 goals
 aspiration
 apathy
 indifference
Settler
 pioneer
 immigrant
 vagabond
 nomadic
regulate
 oversee
 monitor
 deregulate
 mismanage
permanent
 immutable
 lasting
 temporary
 relocate

Species
 order
 nature
 non-living
 singular

Characteristics
 attributes
 mannerisms
 deviation
 uncharacteristic

reproduction
 multiply
 duplicate
 extinct
 end

germinate
 develop
 ripen
 immature
 stagnant

researcher
 Scientist
 investigator
 believer
 follower

variety
 diversity
 Misc.
 uniformity
 identical

pollinate
 fertilize
 spread
 starve
 deny

Criteria
 standards
 guidelines
 chaos
 disorderly

Vertebrate
 spine
 backbone
 invertebrate
 spineless

categorize
 classify
 analyze
 disarrange
 disorganize

equipment
 materials
 supplies
 useless
 unprepared

conditions
 surroundings
 circumstances
 unrelated
 distant

plateau
 upland
 peak
 canyon
 valley

dense
 compressed
 thick
 sparse
 scanty

horizon
 parallel
 horizontal
 perpendicular
 vertical

Access
 admission
 permission
 denied
 reject

impact
 effect
 outcome
 cause
 source

Solution
 resolve
 explain
 confront
 discuss
 refer
 improve
 compare

Mystery

A suspenseful story about a puzzling event that is not solved until the end of the story.



Fantasy

A story including elements that are impossible such as talking animals or magical powers.



Literature

Stories that are passed down from one group to another in history. This includes folktales, legends, fables, fairy tales, tall tales, and myths from different cultures.



Poetry

Poetry is verse written to create a response of thought and feeling from the reader. It often uses rhythm and rhyme.



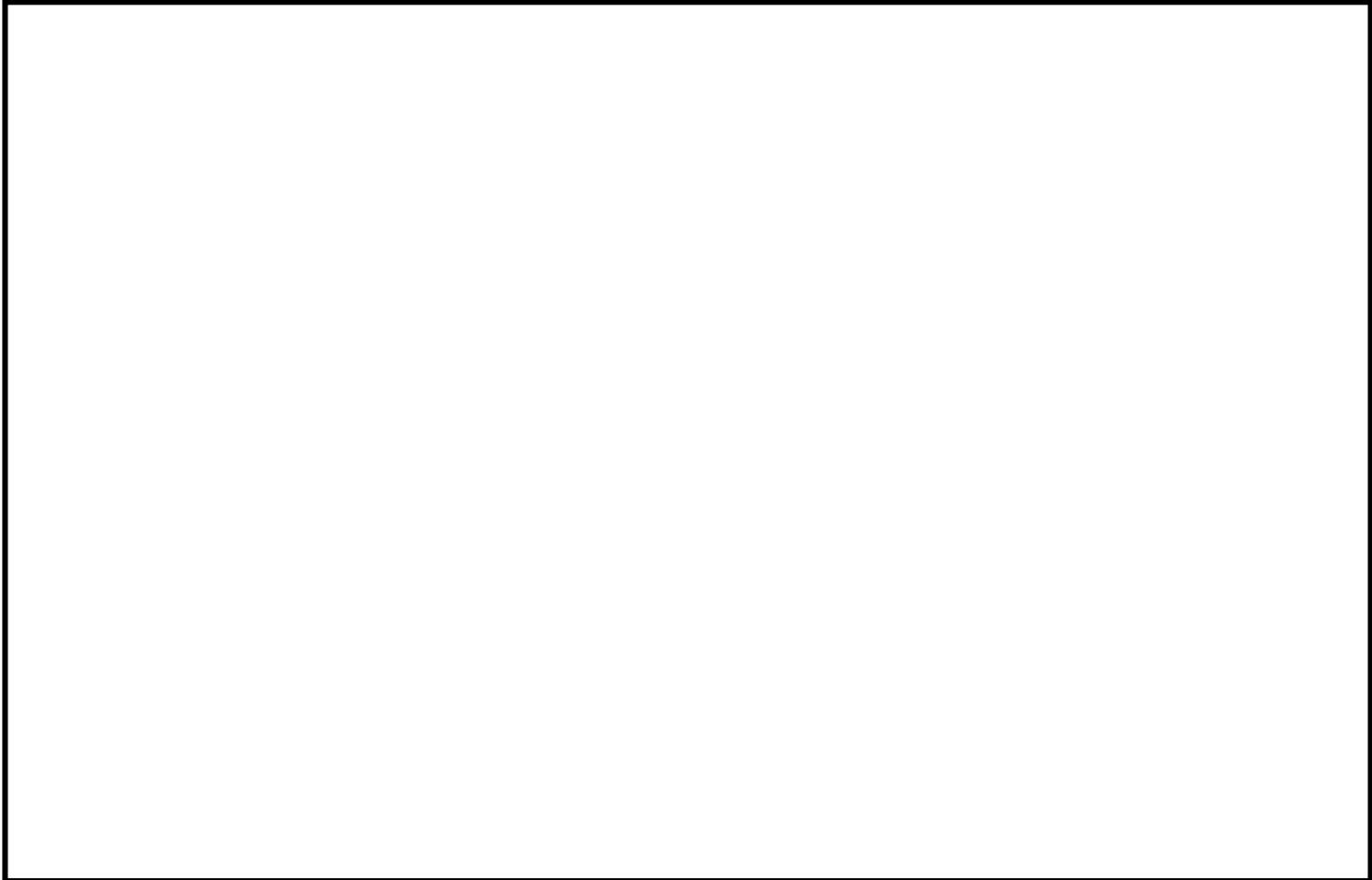
You've got your word. Now what?

- Go back to seats based on word.
- Line kids up according to their word.
- School-wide awareness of words. Other teachers will stop and ask students about their word.
- Engage in active word learning!



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Part 3 – Practice



Example of Practice Activities

- Show Me/Charades
- Vocabulary Rings
- Vocabulary Games
- Word Colors
- Word Illustrations

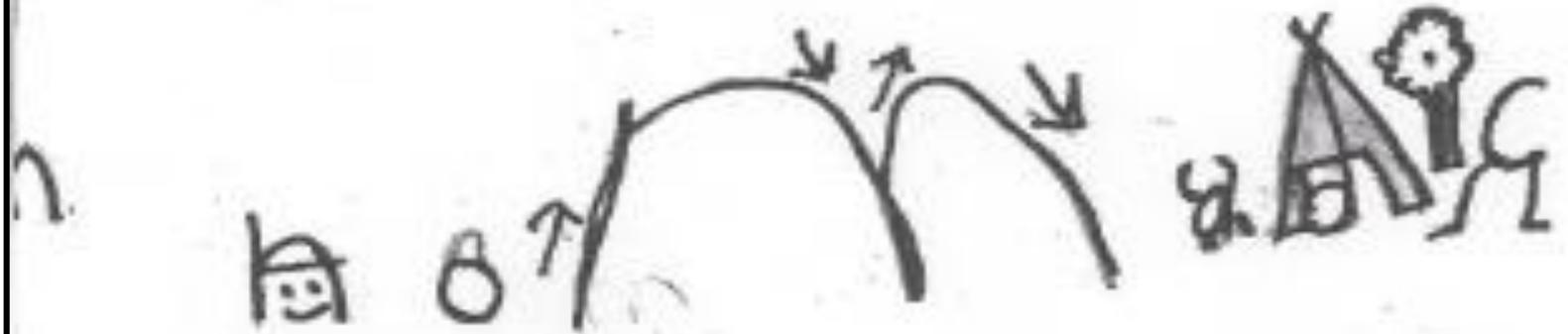


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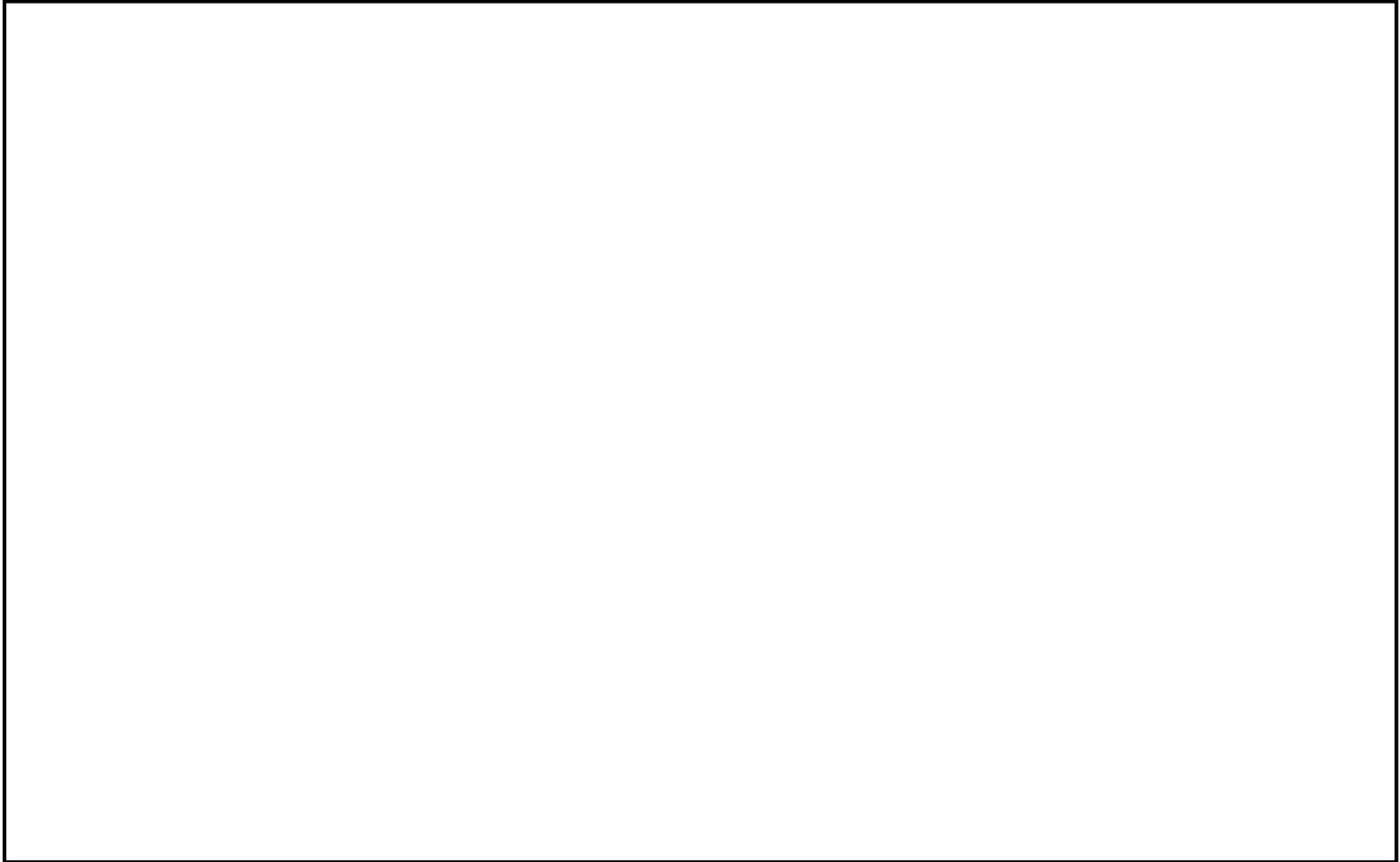
Word Colors

1. Choose a multisyllabic word.
2. Write the word on one side of the card.
3. Color the word side of the card a color to represent the word.
4. On the other side of the card, write a sentence telling why that color represents the word.

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Part 4 – Celebrate!



Vocabulary Parties

- Block Party
- Dance Party
- Game Party (Charades, Jeopardy, etc.)
- Limbo Party
- Toasting Party
- Holiday Party
- American Idol Party



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Crystal Ball Words

WORD: <u>Transportation</u>		
Prefix: <u>Trans</u>	Root: <u>port</u>	Suffix: <u>ation</u>
Prefix meaning: <u>across</u>	Root meaning: <u>carry (Latin)</u>	Suffix meaning: <u>act or process</u>
Other words with this prefix: <u>Translucent</u> <u>transparent</u> <u>translation</u> <u>transaction</u> <u>translator</u> <u>transmission</u> <u>transport</u> <u>transcribe</u> <u>transatlantic</u>	Other words with this root: <u>Portland</u> <u>Airport</u> <u>Reporter</u> <u>Transport</u> <u>important</u> <u>Porter</u> <u>Import</u> <u>export</u> <u>port-a-potty</u>	Other words with this suffix: <u>acceleration</u> <u>location</u> <u>declaration</u> <u>carnation</u> <u>celebration</u> <u>translocation</u> <u>recreation</u> <u>population</u> <u>civilization</u> <u>magnification</u> <u>evaluation</u> <u>reincarnation</u> <u>nation</u> <u>precipitation</u> <u>evaporation</u>

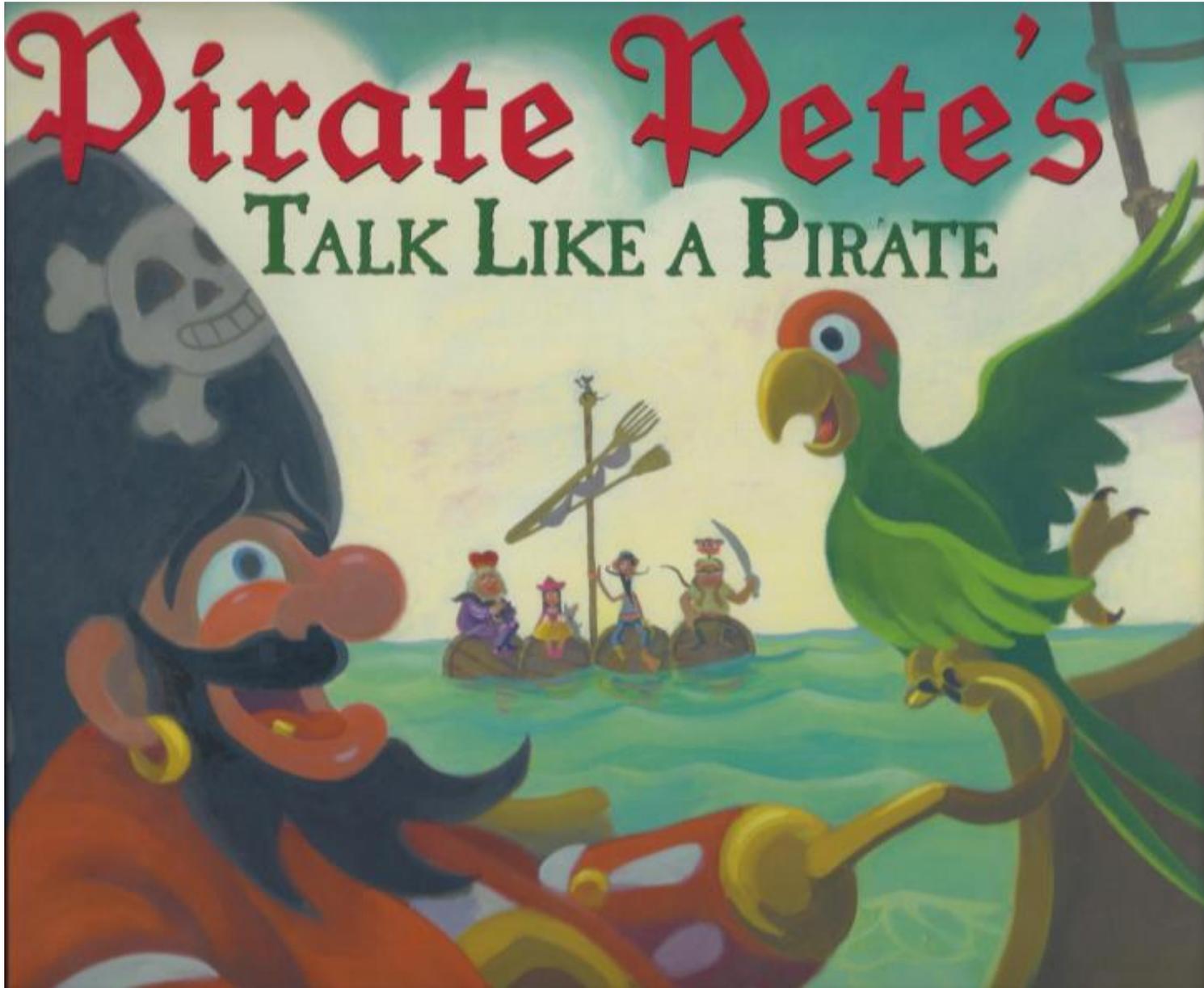
Crystal Ball Words - Look deep into a word and predict its meaning.

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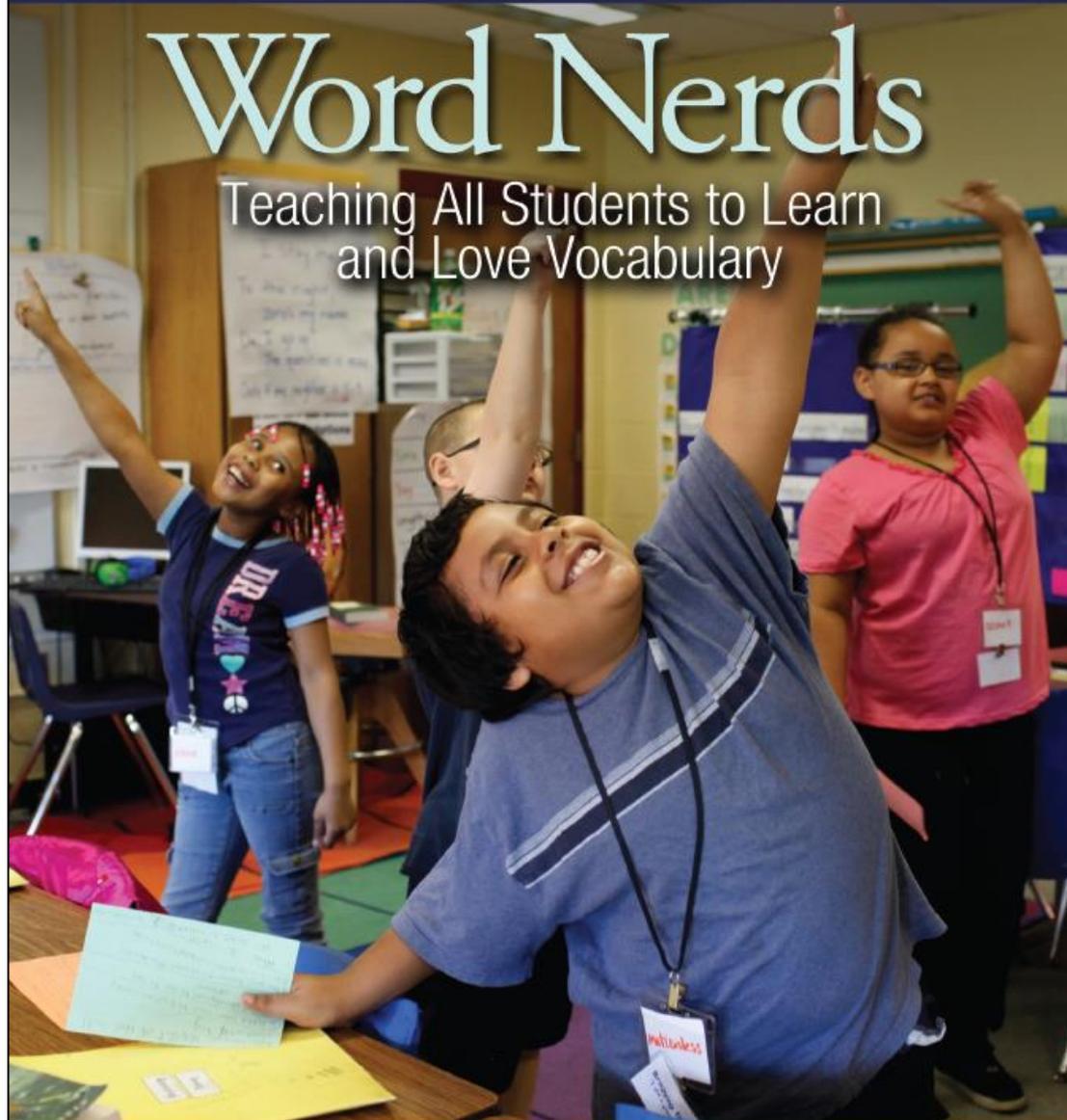
Pirate Pete's

TALK LIKE A PIRATE



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