Word of the Day

Autumn Term 2020

Week 15 – 14th December 2020

This Week's Words

Grasshopper
- tear
- office
- spare
- chipped
- lift

Shinobi
- tolerate
- mutter
- fixation
- under
- above

Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:
heart (heart)

Definition:
Your heart is the organ in your chest that pumps the blood around your body. People also use heart to refer to the area of their chest that is closest to their heart.

Example:
My heart was beating in my chest.

Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day:
calamitous (ca-lam-i-tous)

Definition:
If you describe an event or situation as calamitous, you mean it is very unfortunate or serious.

Example:
The calamitous twins destroyed the playroom.

'Words unlock the doors to a world of understanding...'
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Grasshopper
- gift
- midnight
- peace
- tinsel
- bauble

Shinobi
- anticipation
- lavish
- nostalgia
- yuletide
- eve
Grasshopper (Tier 1)

gift
midnight
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Shinobi (Tier 2)

- anticipation
- lavish
- nostalgia
- yuletide
- eve
Word of the Day: gift

Definition:
A gift is something that you give someone as a present.

Mrs Rasul gave every child a book as a gift.

Phrases: a secret gift, a gift wrapped in

Synonym: present, offering
Antonym: 

Rhyme: shift, lift
Link Word: birthday, Christmas
Word of the Day: midnight

Definition:
Midnight is twelve o'clock in the middle of the night.

It was 11:59pm. One minute until midnight.

Phrases:
- just before midnight
- midnight was coming

Synonym: 
Antonym: 
Rhyme:
- might
- flight

Link Word:
- night
- day
Word of the Day: peace

Definition:
If you have a feeling of peace, you feel contented and calm and not at all worried. You can also say that you are at peace.

Mr Smith relaxed in his chair and felt at peace.

Phrases:
Ah...peace at last
it was peaceful

Synonym:
calm

Antonym:
oise
irritation

Rhyme:
police
cease

Link Word:
relaxed
calm
Word of the Day: **tinsel**

**Definition:**
Tinsel consists of small strips of shiny paper attached to long pieces of thread. People use tinsel as a decoration at Christmas.

The *tinsel* was wrapped around the tree.

**Phrases:**
- sparkling tinsel was covered in tinsel

**Synonym:**
- spangle
- glitter

**Antonym:**

**Rhyme:**

**Link Word:**
- tree
- angel
Word of the Day: **bauble**  
(Noun)

**Definition:**
A bauble is a small, cheap ornament or piece of jewellery, normally hung on a Christmas tree.

**Baubles** of every colour were on the tree.

**Phrases:**
- baubles hung from the
- baubles of every size and shape

**Synonym:**
ornament

**Antonym:**

**Rhyme:**

**Link Word:**
tree
decoration
**Word of the Day:** anticipation

**Definition:**
Anticipation is a feeling of excitement about something pleasant or exciting that you know is going to happen.

Everyone was full of anticipation for Christmas.

**Phrases:**
- was anticipating getting a
- didn’t anticipate that

**Synonym:**
- excitement

**Antonym:**
- hope

**Prefix / Suffix:**
- -tion

**Rhyme:**
- education
- situation

**Link Word:**
- excited
- present
Word of the Day: lavish

Definition: If you describe something as lavish, you mean that it is very elaborate and impressive and a lot of money has been spent on it.

The dinner staff had prepared a lavish Christmas dinner.

Phrases: such a lavish, a lavish and bold gift

Synonym: luxurious, sumptuous

Antonym: meagre

Prefix / Suffix: -ly, -ing

Rhyme: wish, ravish

Link Word: expensive, meal
Word of the Day: **nostalgia**

Pronunciation / Syllables: (nos-tal-gia)

**Definition:**

Nostalgia is an affectionate feeling you have for the past, especially for a particularly happy time.

Julie felt **nostalgic** as the Christmas songs played.

**Phrases:**

- she felt nostalgic
- nostalgia filled the room

**Synonym:** remembrance

**Antonym:**

**Prefix / Suffix:** -ic

**Rhyme:**

**Link Word:** memory feeling
Word of the Day: Yuletide

Definition:
Yuletide is the period of several days around and including Christmas Day.

The magical grotto had symbols of a Yuletide theme.

Phrases:
- Yuletide greetings
- full of Yuletide spirit

Synonym: Christmas
Antonym:
Prefix / Suffix:
Rhyme:
- ride
- bride
Link Word:
symbol
period
Word of the Day: **eve**

**Pronunciation / Syllables**

**Definition:**
The eve of a particular event or occasion is the day before it, or the period of time just before it.

**Alex loved Christmas. He said it was Christmas Eve Eve!**

**Phrases:**
- It was Christmas Eve
- the on the eve of Christmas

**Synonym:**

**Antonym:**

**Prefix / Suffix**

**Rhyme:**
- leave
- heave

**Link Word:**
- day
- before
gift

midnight
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