

Word of the Day

Spring Term 2026

Week 33 – 11th May 2026



'Words unlock the doors to a world of understanding...'

This Week's Words

Grasshopper

save

unlock

crack

hang

bury

Shinobi

gingerly

fond

cherish

chaos

snare



VOCABULARY NINJA

Grasshopper (Tier 1)

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Shinobi (Tier 2)

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VOCABULARY NINJA



Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

save
(save)

Word Class
(verb / noun)

Definition:

If you save someone or something, you help them to avoid harm or to escape from a dangerous or unpleasant situation.



Jenny **saved** the chocolate bunny from the sunshine.

Synonym:

rescue

recover

Antonym:

endanger

hazard

Prefix / Suffix:

-ed

-ing

Rhyme:

cave

behave

Link Word:

money

carefully



Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

unlock
(*un-lock*)

Word Class
(verb)

Definition:

If you unlock something such as a door, a room, or a container that has a lock, you open it using a key.



Mrs Barnett **unlocked** the iPad to start the lesson.

Synonym:

unfasten

unseal

Antonym:

lock

shut

Prefix / Suffix:

-ing

-ed

Rhyme:

block

rock

Link Word:

door

phone



Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

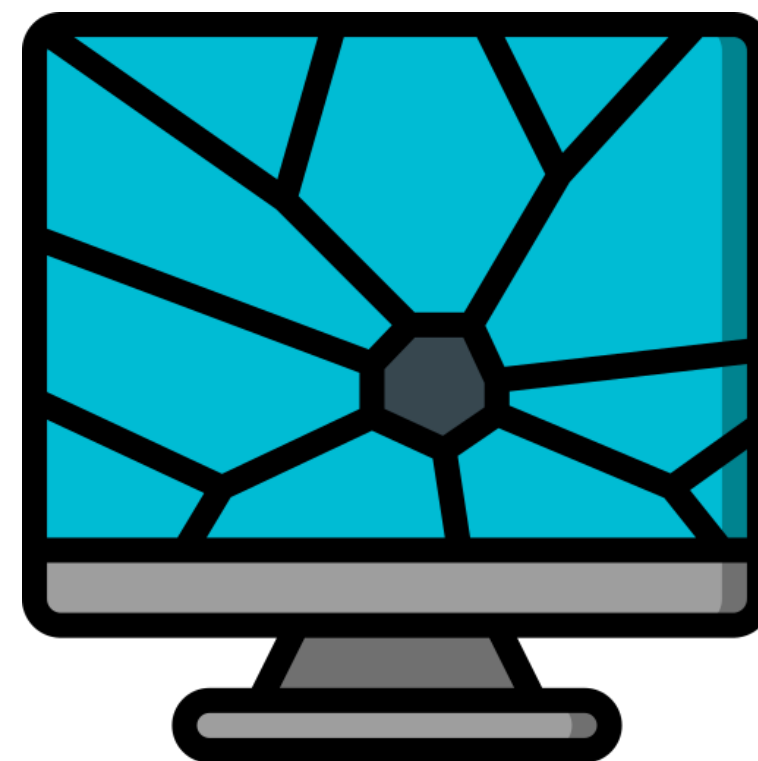
Pronunciation / Syllables

crack
(crack)

Word Class
(verb / noun)

Definition:

If something hard cracks, or if you crack it, it becomes slightly damaged, with lines appearing on its surface.



There was a **crack** on the new television screen.

Synonym:

break

snap

Antonym:

Prefix / Suffix:

-ed

-ing

Rhyme:

black

stack

Link Word:

door

phone



Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

hang
(hang)

Word Class
(verb)

Definition:

If something hangs in a high place or position, or if you hang it there, it is attached there so it does not touch the ground.



Phillip needed to **hang** his coat on the correct peg.

Synonym:

put up
suspend

Antonym:

take down
detach

Prefix / Suffix:

over-
-able

Rhyme:

sang
gang

Link Word:

clothes
wardrobe



Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

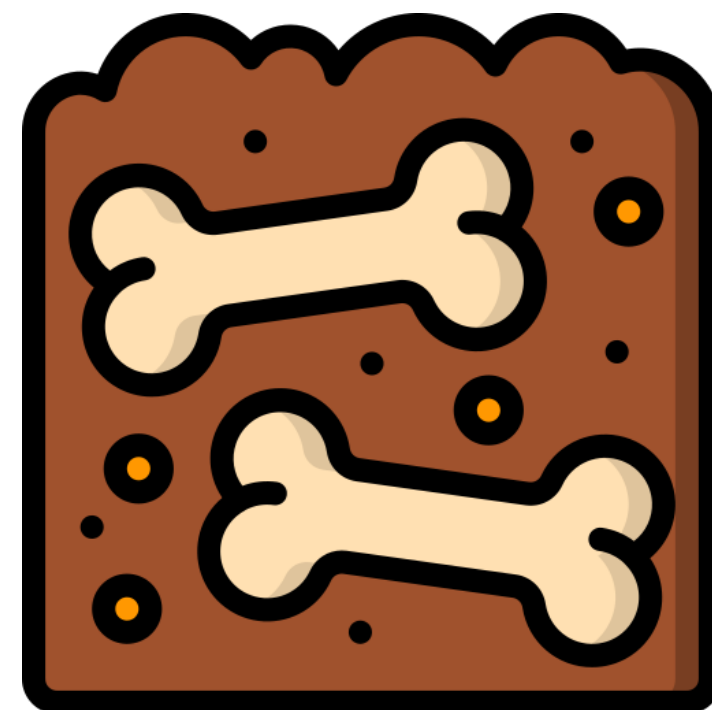
Pronunciation / Syllables

bury
(bur-y)

Word Class
(verb)

Definition:

To bury something means to put it into a hole in the ground and cover it up with earth.



The dog **buried** a bone in the ground.

Synonym:

hide
conceal

Antonym:

reveal
exhume

Prefix / Suffix:

-ied
-ial

Rhyme:

merry
very

Link Word:

bone
deep



Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

gingerly
(gin-ger-ly)

Word Class
(adverb)

Definition:

If you do something gingerly, you do it in a careful manner, usually because you expect it to be dangerous, unpleasant, or painful.



Mr Newing walked **gingerly** after the PE lesson.

Synonym:

carefully

timidly

Antonym:

recklessly

brashly

Prefix / Suffix:

Rhyme:

injury

Link Word:

move

open



Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

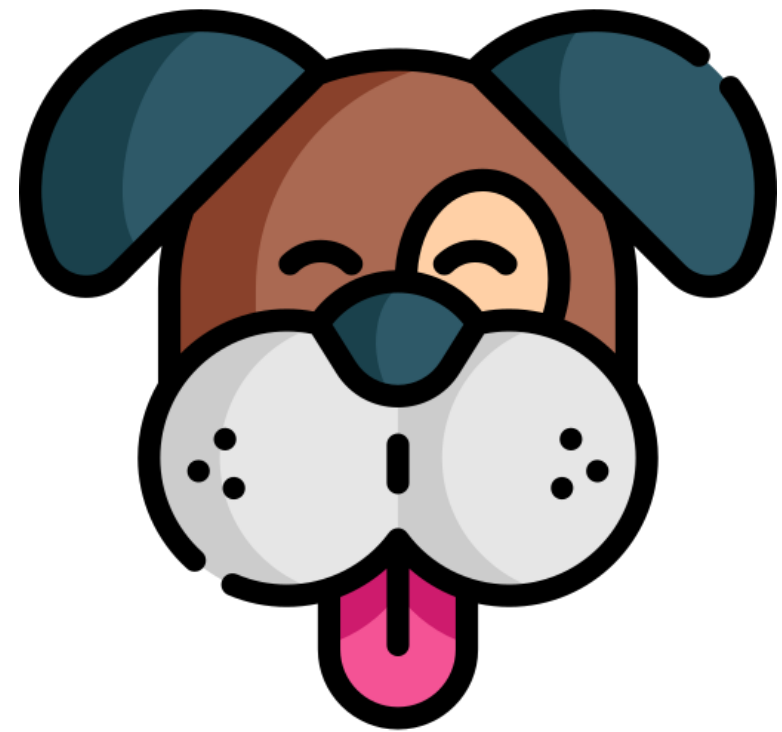
Pronunciation / Syllables

fond
(fond)

Word Class
(adjective)

Definition:

If you are fond of someone, you feel affection for them.



Everyone was **fond** of the new school dog.

Synonym:

adoring

devoted

Antonym:

unfeeling

cool

Prefix / Suffix:

-ly

-est

Rhyme:

bond

pond

Link Word:

grow

farewell



Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

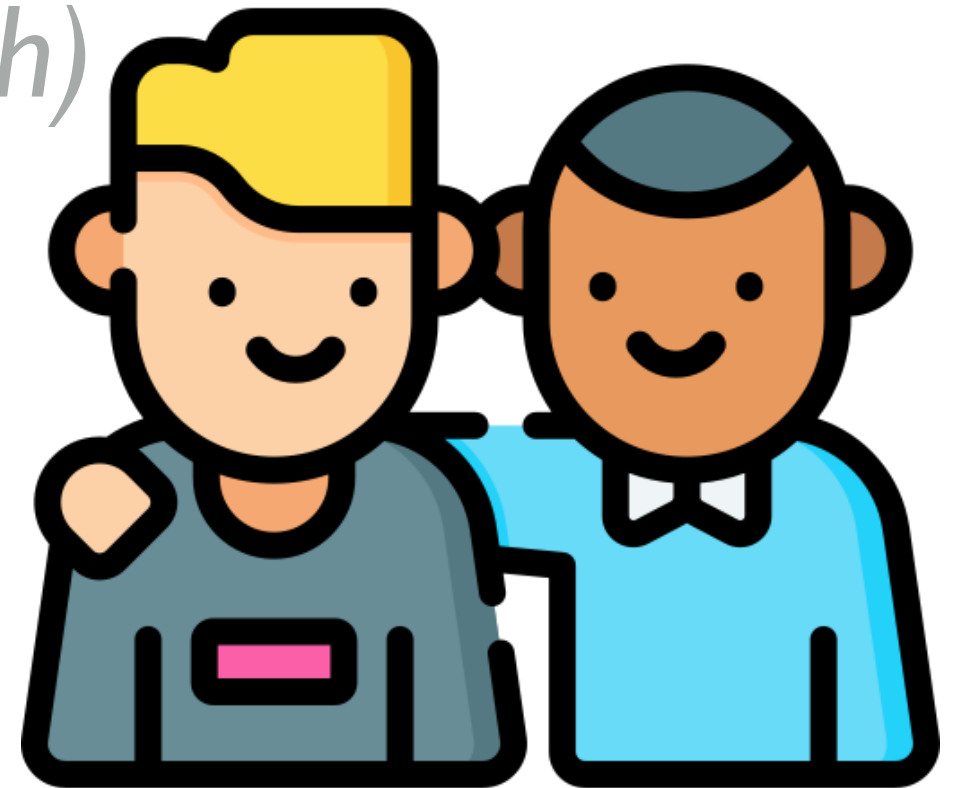
cherish
(cher-ish)

Word Class
(verb)

Pronunciation / Syllables

Definition:

If you cherish someone or something, you take good care of them because you love them.



Henry **cherished** his friendship with Alan.

Synonym:

adore

love

Antonym:

condemn

dislike

Prefix / Suffix:

-ed

-ing

Rhyme:

perish

garish

Link Word:

fondly

friends



Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

chaos
(cha-os)

Word Class
(noun)

Definition:

Chaos is a state of complete disorder and confusion.



It could sometimes be **chaotic** in the school office.

Synonym:

disorder

mayhem

Antonym:

order

calm

Prefix / Suffix:

post-

-tic

Rhyme:

Link Word:

pure

impending



Shinobi Word of the Day

Word Class
(verb)

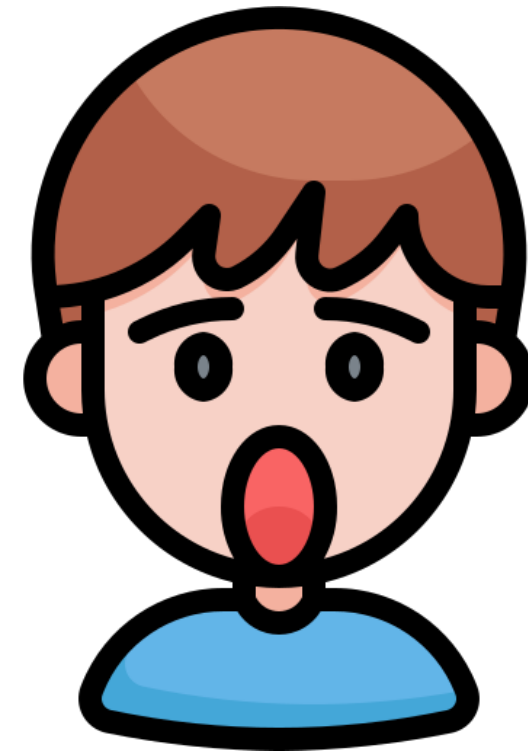
Word of the Day:

snare
(*snare*)

Pronunciation / Syllables

Definition:

If someone snares something, they get it in a clever way, perhaps by deceiving people.



The children had been **snares** by the interesting visitor.

Synonym:

trap

catch

Antonym:

liberate

free

Prefix / Suffix

-ed

-ing

Rhyme:

share

aware

Link Word:

setting

animal

Vocabulary Laboratory



Describe / Definition:

Use it in a sentence:

Focus Word (write below):

Word Class:

Synonyms:

(words with same / similar meaning)

Antonyms:

(words with opposite meaning)

Draw your sentence:

Rhymes:

(words that sound the same)

Link Words:

(Example: football = pitch, team, player)

Vocabulary Visualiser

Draw the
Grasshopper words
and bring them to life.



Word: save

Word: unlock

Word: crack

Word: bury



Vocabulary Visualiser

Draw the **Shinobi**
words and bring
them to life.



Word: gingerly

Word: cherish

Word: chaos

Word: snare



Matching Meanings

Draw lines from the **Grasshopper** words to their definitions.



Grasshopper Word

Grasshopper Definitions

save

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unlock

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crack

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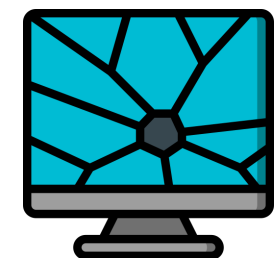
hang

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bury

If something hard ***, or if you *** it, it becomes slightly damaged, with lines appearing on its surface.



Matching Meanings

Draw lines from the **Shinobi** words to their definitions.



Shinobi Word

Shinobi Definitions

gingerly

*** is a state of complete disorder and confusion.



fond

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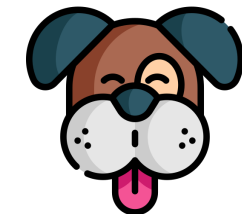
cherish

If someone *** something, they get it in a clever way, perhaps by deceiving people.



chaos

If you are *** of someone, you feel affection for them.



snare

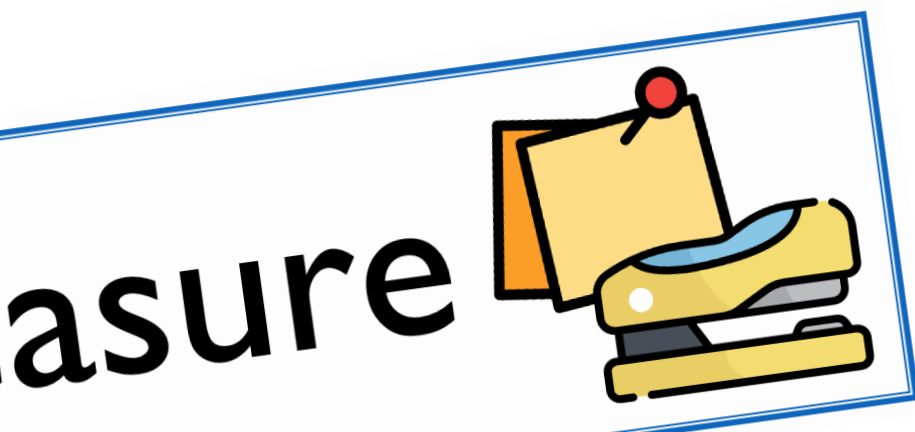
If you *** someone or something, you take good care of them because you love them.





Display Slips

The following slides are for classroom display. As you teach each Word of the Day, words can be displayed in the classroom to enable pupils to use the taught vocabulary in an independent manner.





save

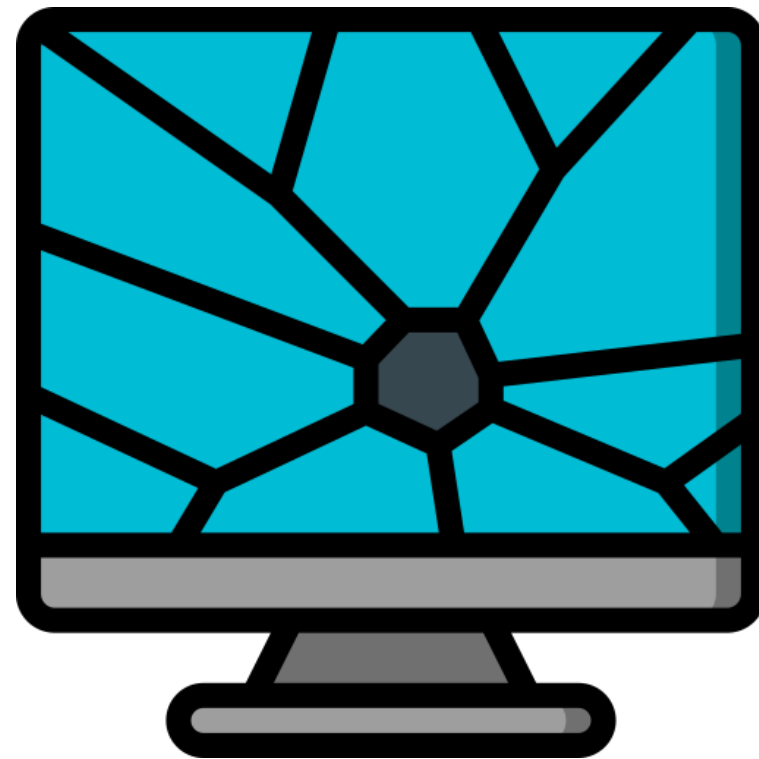


unlock





crack

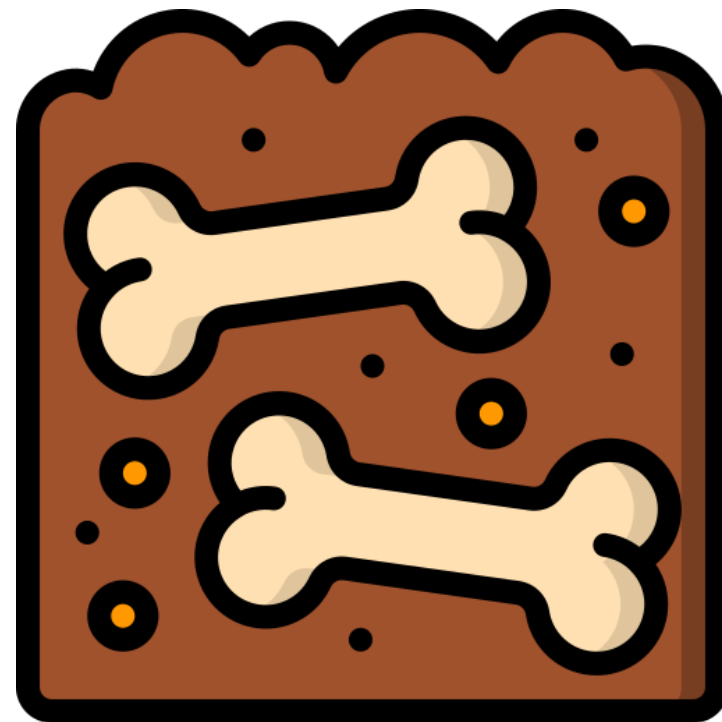


hang





bury

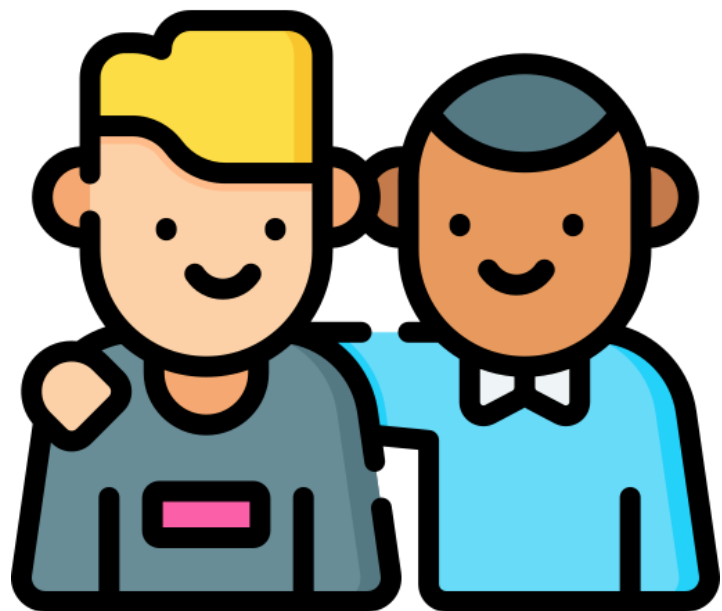
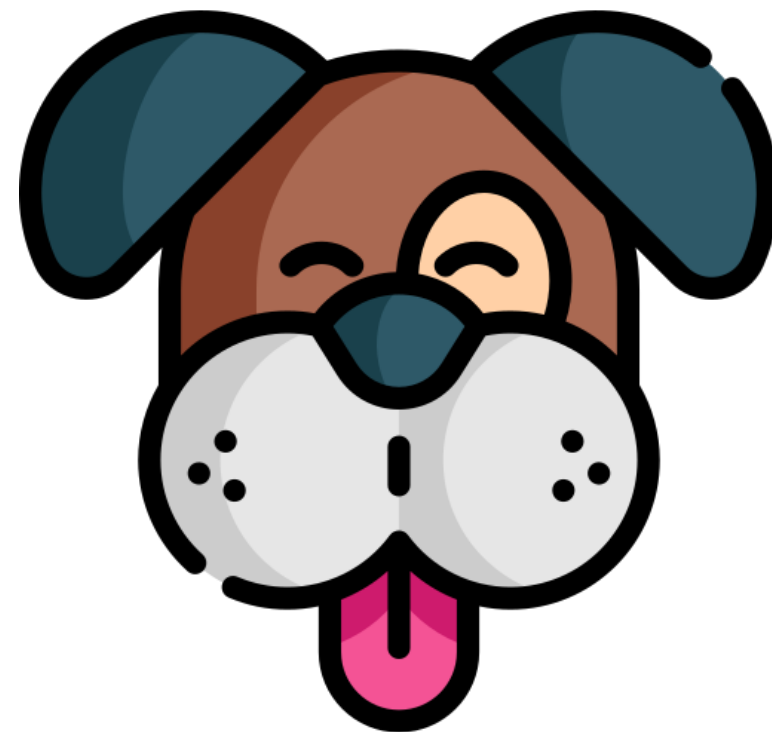


gingerly





fond



cherish





chaos



snare

