

Word of the Day

Summer Term 2026

Week 39 – 22nd June 2026



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

This Week's Words

Grasshopper

squeak

swallow

impossible

yell

grab

Shinobi

wade

display

surge

refresh

retain



VOCABULARY NINJA

Grasshopper (Tier 1)

squeak

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VOCABULARY NINJA

Shinobi (Tier 2)

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VOCABULARY NINJA



Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

squeak
(squeak)

Word Class
(verb / noun)

Definition:

If something or someone squeaks, they make a short, high-pitched sound.



The hamster **squeaked** as it played in the cage.

Synonym:

squeal

cheep

Antonym:

Prefix / Suffix:

-y

-ing

Rhyme:

weak

peak

Link Word:

quiet

loud



Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

swallow
(*swal-low*)

Word Class
(verb)

Pronunciation / Syllables

Definition:

If you swallow something, you cause it to go from your mouth down into your stomach.



Jim chewed and **swallowed** the whole sandwich.

Synonym:

consume

devour

Antonym:

Prefix / Suffix:

-ed

-ing

Rhyme:

hollow

fallow

Link Word:

quickly

carefully



Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day: **impossible**

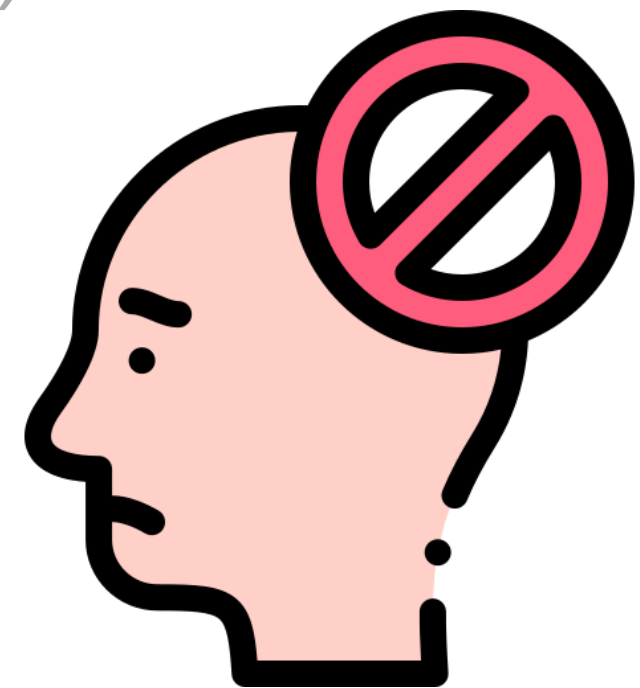
Word Class
(adjective)

Pronunciation / Syllables

(im-pos-si-ble)

Definition:

Something that is impossible cannot be done or cannot happen.



The maths question was **impossible** to solve.

Synonym:

hopeless

absurd

Antonym:

possible

easy

Prefix / Suffix:

-ity

Rhyme:

possible

crossable

Link Word:

task

decision



Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

yell
(yell)

Word Class
(verb)

Definition:

If you yell, you shout loudly,
usually because you are excited,
angry, or in pain.



Mrs Hope **yelled** across the playground.

Synonym:

call
shout

Antonym:

whisper
murmur

Prefix / Suffix:

-ed
-ing

Rhyme:

bell
fell

Link Word:

loudly
angrily



Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

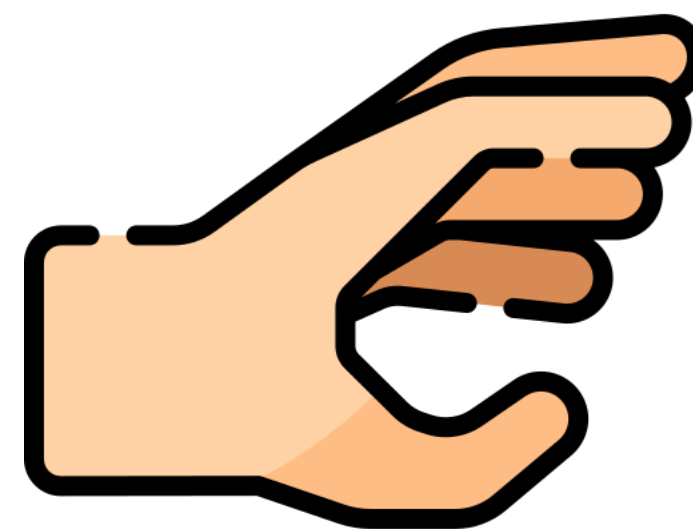
Pronunciation / Syllables

grab
(grab)

Word Class
(verb)

Definition:

If you grab something, you take it or pick it up suddenly and roughly.



Fiona **grabbed** some fruit.

Synonym:

grasp

pluck

Antonym:

release

free

Prefix / Suffix:

-ed

-ing

Rhyme:

cab

tab

Link Word:

handful

hastily



Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

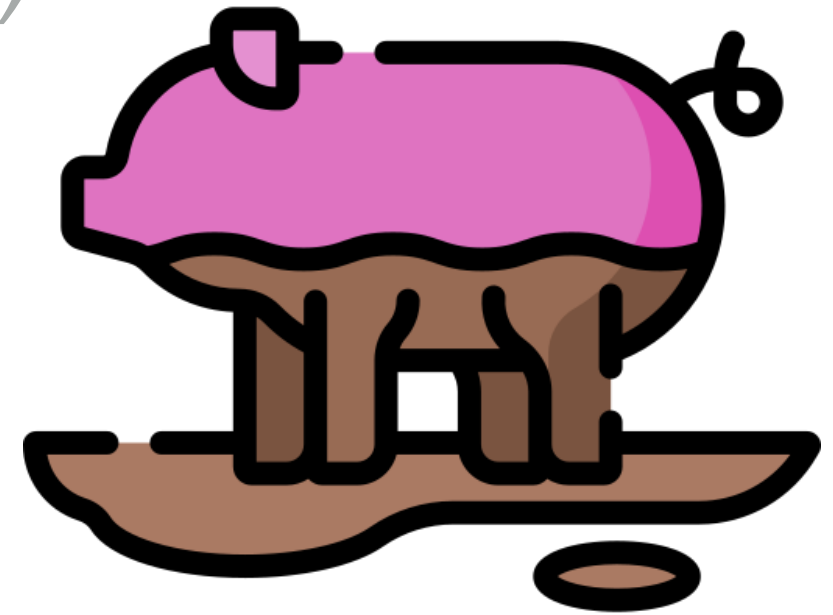
Pronunciation / Syllables

wade
(wade)

Word Class
(verb)

Definition:

If you wade through something that makes it difficult to walk, usually water or mud, you walk through it.



The pig **waded** slowly through the thick mud.

Synonym:

trudge

plod

Antonym:

dodge

avoid

Prefix / Suffix:

-ed

-ing

Rhyme:

trade

played

Link Word:

through

slowly



Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

display
(dis-play)

Word Class
(verb / noun)

Definition:

If you display something that you want people to see, you put it in a particular place, so that people can see it easily.



Amelia really wanted the t-shirt that was on **display**.

Synonym:

exhibit

show

Antonym:

conceal

hide

Prefix / Suffix:

mis-

-ed

Rhyme:

they

away

Link Word:

proudly

openly



Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

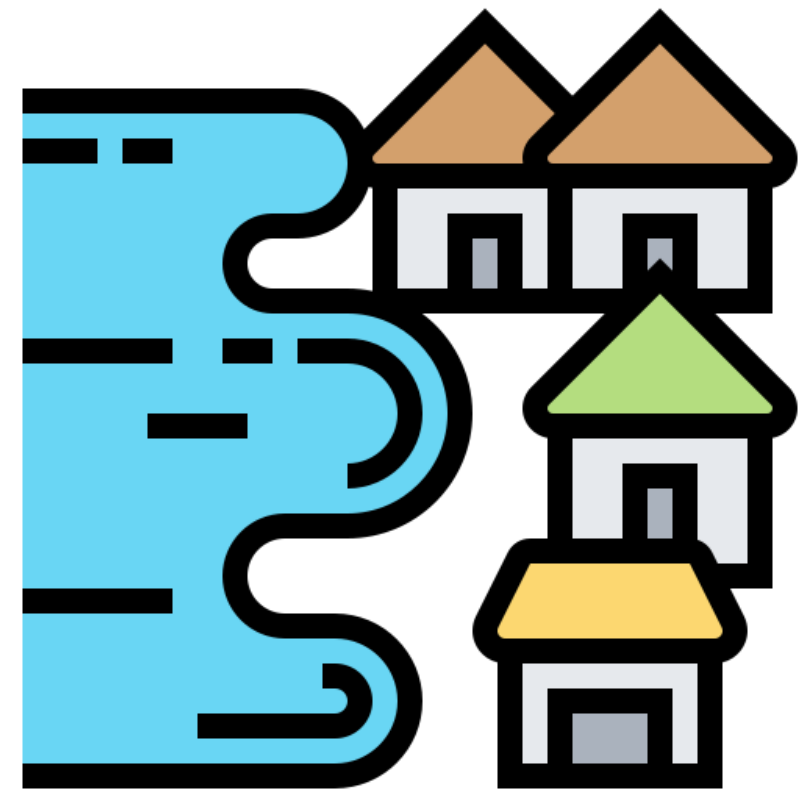
Pronunciation / Syllables

surge
(*surge*)

Word Class
(noun / verb)

Definition:

A surge is a sudden large increase in something that has previously been steady, or has only increased or developed slowly.



The waves suddenly **surged** towards the houses.

Synonym:

rush
sweep

Antonym:

decline
decrease

Prefix / Suffix:

up-
-ed

Rhyme:

urge
emerge

Link Word:

forward
powerfully



Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

refresh
(re-fresh)

Word Class
(verb)

Definition:

If someone refreshes your memory, they tell you something that you had forgotten.



Mr Jones **refreshed** our memories about fractions.

Synonym:

stimulate

prompt

Antonym:

depress

destroy

Prefix / Suffix:

-ing

-ed

Rhyme:

flesh

mesh

Link Word:

memory

clothes



Shinobi Word of the Day

Word Class
(verb)

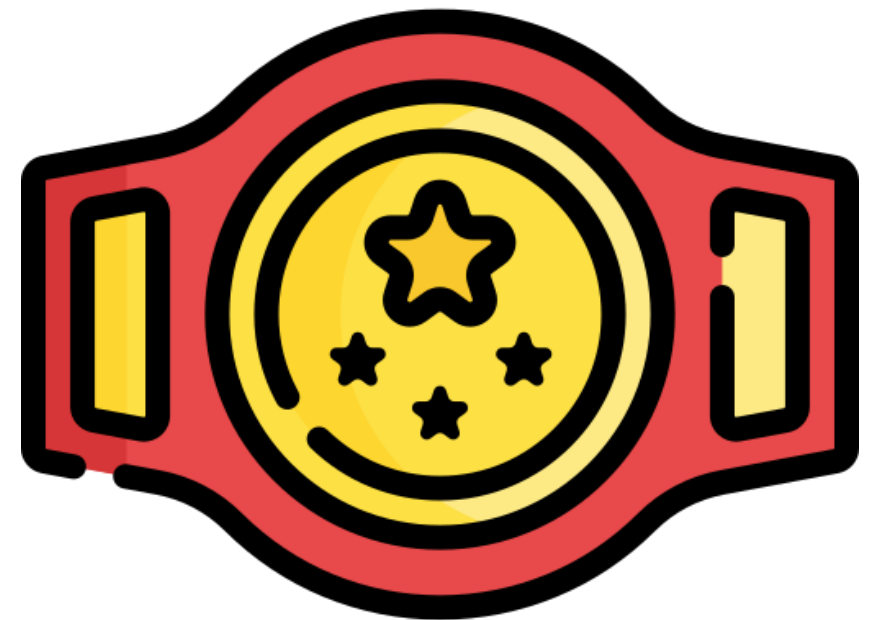
Word of the Day:

retain
(re-tain)

Pronunciation / Syllables

Definition:

To retain something means to continue to have that thing.



Mihai had successfully **retained** the title.

Synonym:

keep
preserve

Antonym:

give up
lose

Prefix / Suffix

-ing
-ed

Rhyme:

again
pain

Link Word:

heat
formally

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: swallow

Word: squeak

Word: yell

Word: grab



Vocabulary Visualiser

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



Word: wade

Word: display

Word: surge

Word: retain



Matching Meanings

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Shinobi Word

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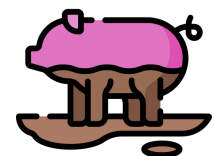
surge

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refresh

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retain

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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.




worried



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asure



dia





squeak

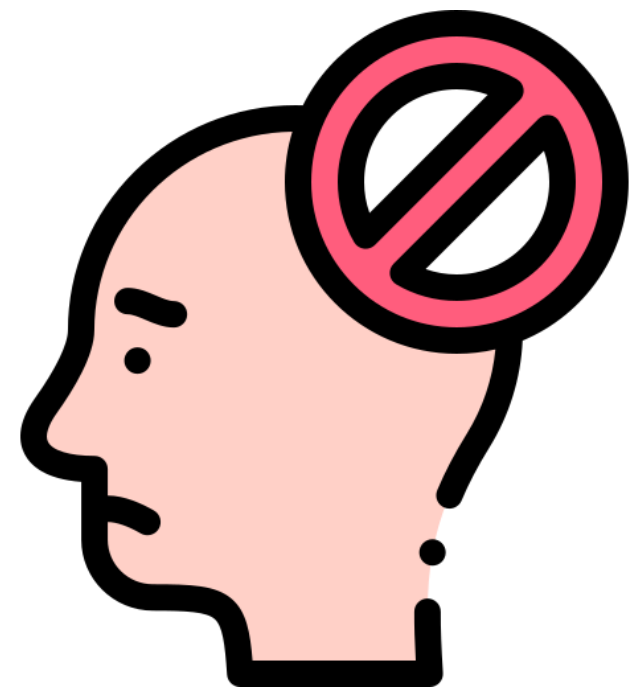


swallow





impossible

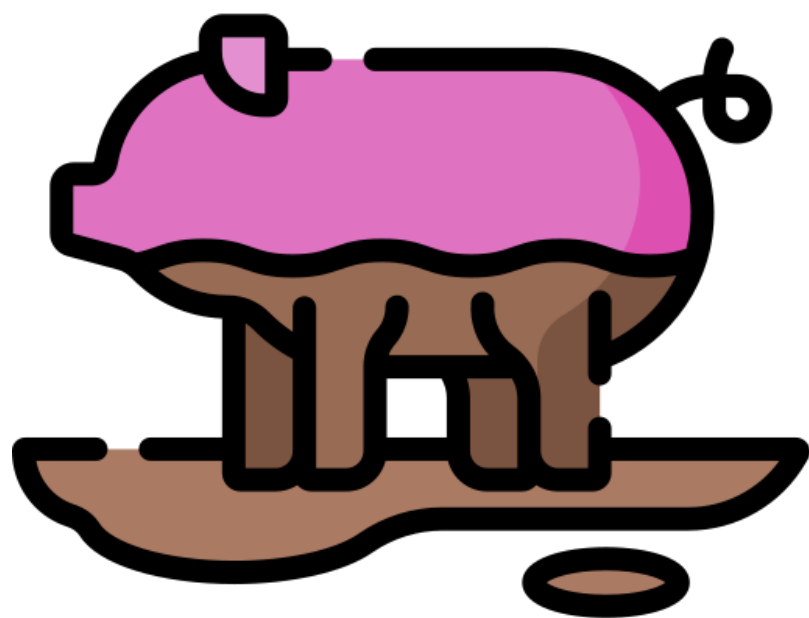
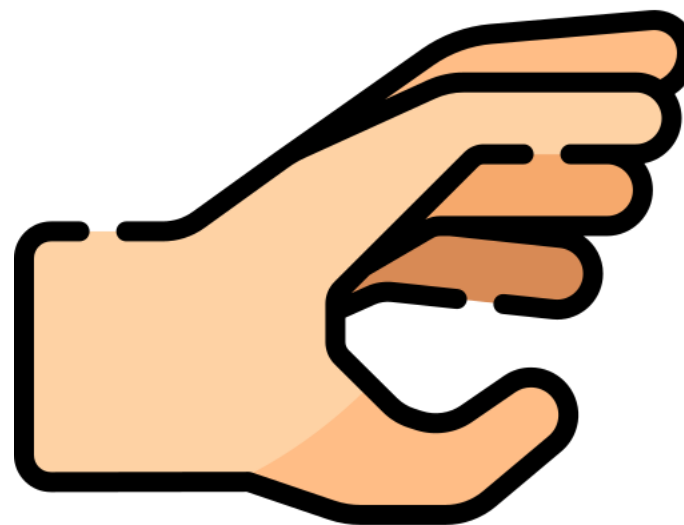


yell





grab

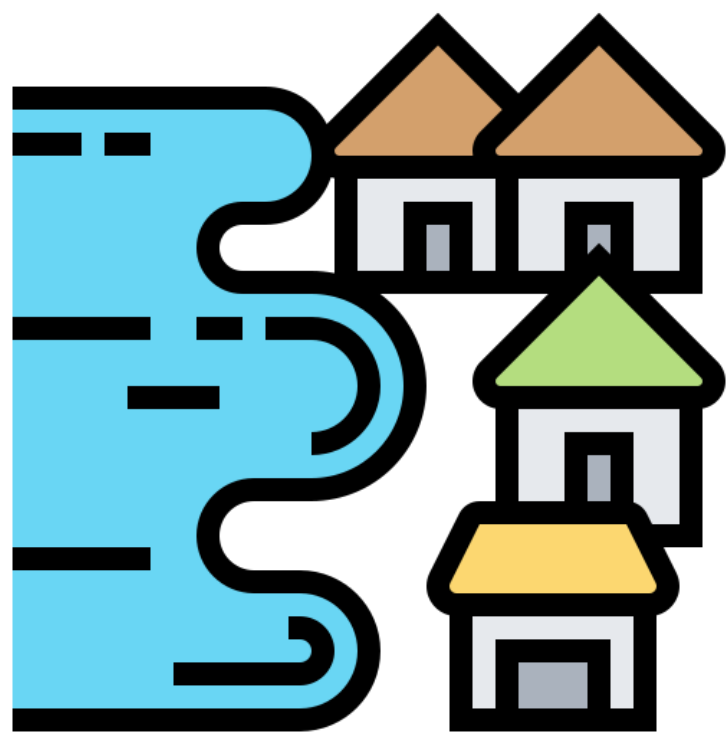


wade





display

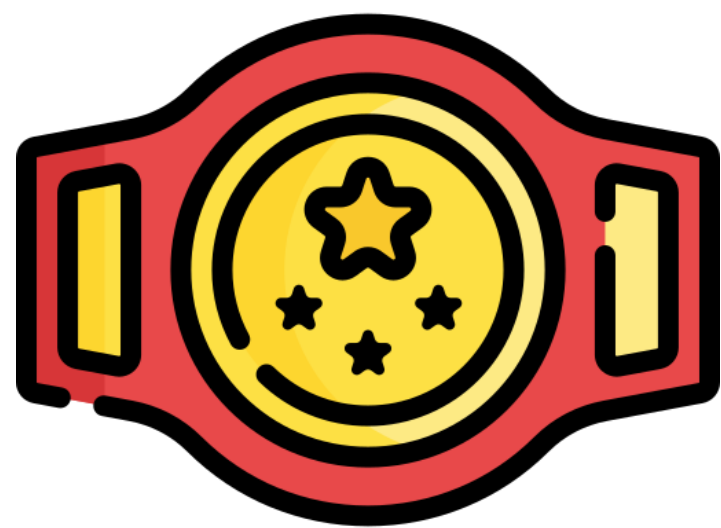


surge





refresh



retain

