

Word of the Day

Autumn Term 2026

Week 4 – 24th September



This Week's Words

Grasshopper

tear
office
spare
chipped
lift

Shinobi

tolerate
mutter
fixation

VN
VOCABULARY NINJA

VN Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day: heart
(heart)

Word Class: (noun)

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.

My heart was beating in my chest.

Rhyme: heart was beating
part
start

Link Word: blood
body

VN Shinobi Word of the Day

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

Word Class: (adjective)

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

The calamitous twins destroyed the play room.

Phrases: the calamitous pair
completely calamitous

Synonym: disastrous
devastating

Antonym: good

Prefix / Suffix:

Rhyme: glamorous
glamorous

Link Word: disaster
bad

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

This Week's Words

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tiny

badge

draw

belt

deflate

Shinobi

grit

crestfallen

warn

deflate

hurl



VOCABULARY NINJA

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VOCABULARY NINJA



Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

tiny
(*ti-ny*)

Word Class
(adjective)

Definition:

Something or someone that is
tiny is extremely small.



The children watched the **tiny** ants on the floor.

Synonym:

mini

micro

Antonym:

huge

massive

Prefix / Suffix:

-ier

-iest

Rhyme:

shiny

Link Word:

glimpse

very



Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

badge
(*badge*)

Word Class
(noun)

Definition:

A badge is a piece of metal or cloth which you wear to show that you belong to an organisation or support a cause.



Alex was given a **badge** for joining music club.

Synonym:

pin

button

Antonym:

Prefix / Suffix:

-s

Rhyme:

Link Word:

metal

shiny



Grasshopper Word of the Day

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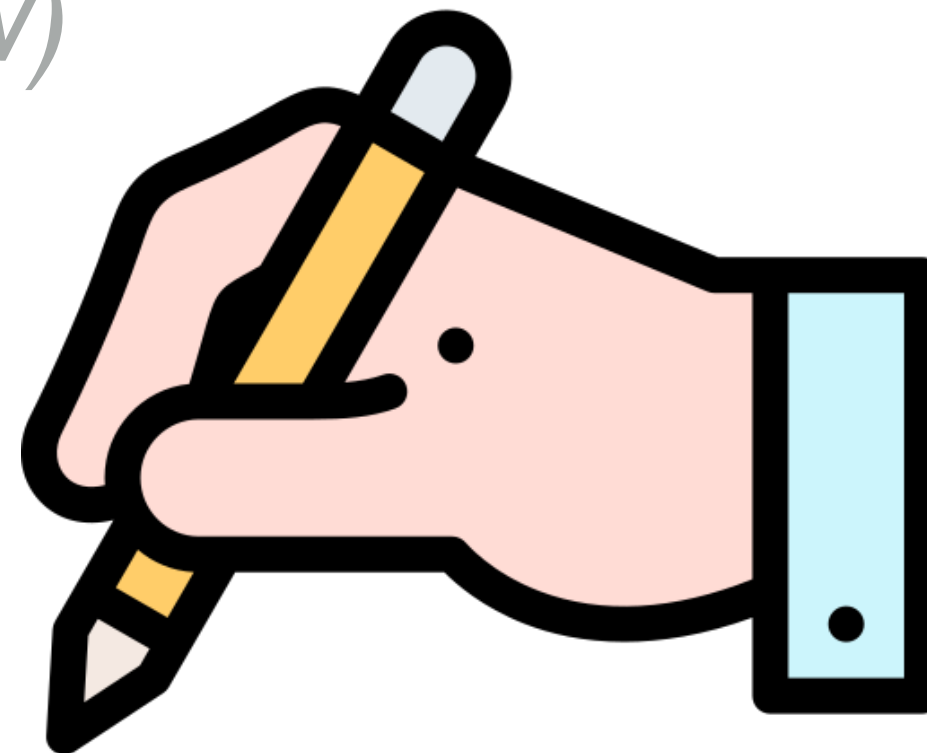
Pronunciation / Syllables

draw
(draw)

Word Class
(verb)

Definition:

When you draw, or when you draw something, you use a pencil or pen to produce a picture, pattern, or diagram.



Mr Jones asked the **children** to draw themselves.

Synonym:

sketch

design

Antonym:

Prefix / Suffix:

re-

-ing

Rhyme:

saw

law

Link Word:

picture

carefully



Grasshopper Word of the Day

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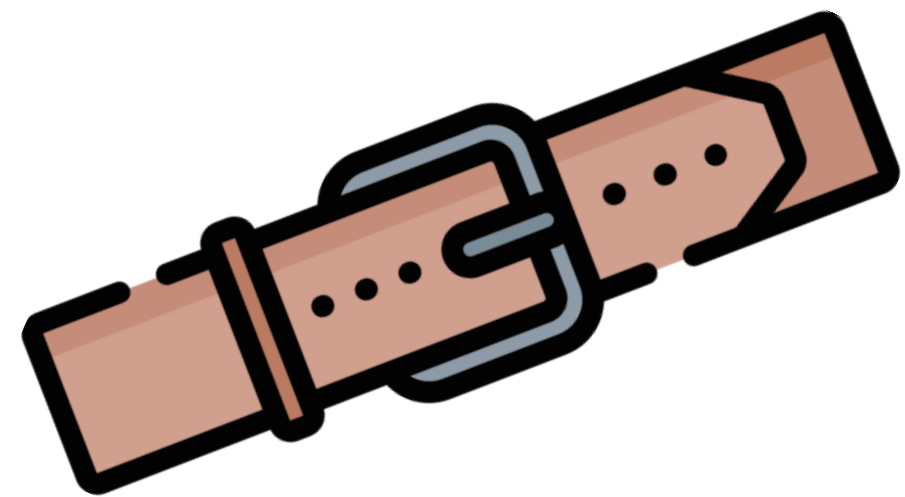
Pronunciation / Syllables

belt
(belt)

Word Class
(noun)

Definition:

A belt is a strip of leather or cloth that you fasten round your waist.



Raul tightened the **belt** around his waist.

Synonym:

sketch

design

Antonym:

Prefix / Suffix:

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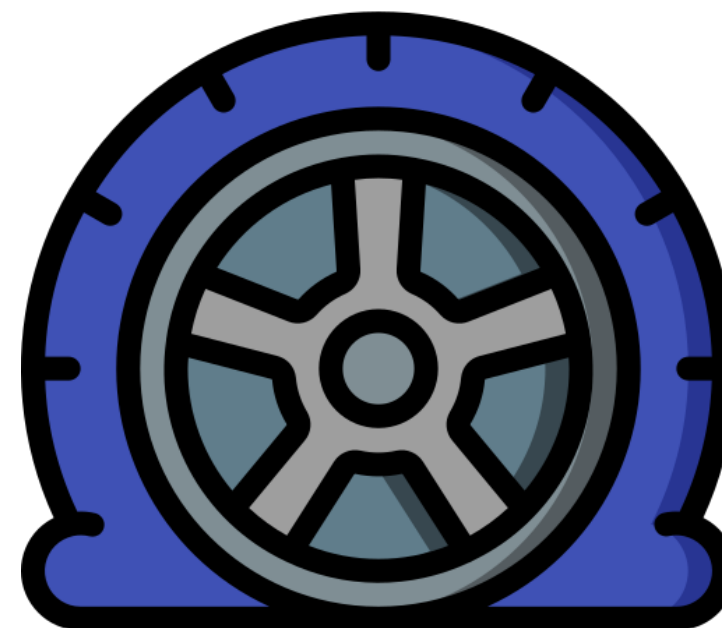
Pronunciation / Syllables

deflate
(de-flate)

Word Class
(verb)

Definition:

When something such as a tyre or balloon deflates, or when you deflate it, all the air comes out of it.



The tyre on the car was **deflated**.

Synonym:

let down

puncture

Antonym:

blow up

inflate

Prefix / Suffix:

-able

-ed

Rhyme:

elate

create

Link Word:

tyre

fully



Shinobi Word of the Day

Word Class
(noun)

Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

grit
(grit)

Definition:

If someone has grit, they have the determination and courage to continue doing something even though it is very difficult.



Felix showed **grit** and determination to finish the race.

Synonym:

courage

bravery

Antonym:

weak

cowardice

Prefix / Suffix:

-y

-ed

Rhyme:

bit

sit

Link Word:

display

sheer



Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day: **crestfallen**

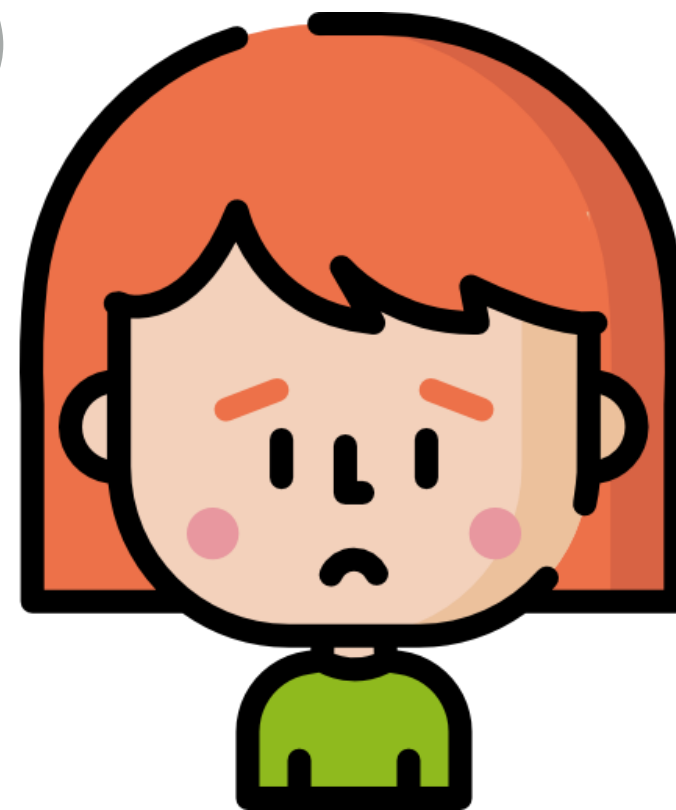
Word Class
(adjective)

Pronunciation / Syllables

(crest-fall-en)

Definition:

If you look crestfallen, you look sad and disappointed about something.



Mia felt **crestfallen** after reading the end of the book.

Synonym:

disappointed

downcast

Antonym:

cheerful

happy

Prefix / Suffix:

-ly

-ness

Rhyme:

Link Word:

outcome

appear



Shinobi Word of the Day

Word Class
(verb)

Word of the Day:

warn
(*warn*)

Pronunciation / Syllables

Definition:

If you warn someone about something such as a possible danger or problem, you tell them about it so that they are aware of it.



Danny tried to **warn** Faz about the slippery floor.

Synonym:

alert

tell

Antonym:

conceal

hide

Prefix / Suffix:

-ing

-ed

Rhyme:

scorn

torn

Link Word:

immediately

strongly



Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

deflate
(de-flate)

Word Class
(verb)

Definition:

If you deflate someone or something, you take away their confidence or make them seem less important.



John felt **deflated** after his **disappointing** tennis match.

Synonym:

dishearten

humiliate

Antonym:

boost

inflate

Prefix / Suffix:

-ed

-ing

Rhyme:

elate

create

Link Word:

visibly

feeling



Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

hurl
(*hurl*)

Word Class
(verb)

Definition:

If you hurl something, you throw it violently and with a lot of force.



Kelly **hurled** the stone into the sea.

Synonym:

launch

fling

Antonym:

catch

hold

Prefix / Suffix

-ed

-ing

Rhyme:

curl

pearl

Link Word:

mighty

forcibly

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: tiny

Word: badge

Word: draw

Word: deflate



Vocabulary Visualiser

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Word: warn

Word: grit

Word: hurl

Word: crestfallen



Matching Meanings

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

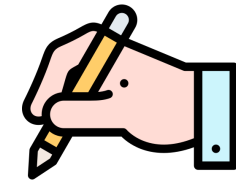


Grasshopper Word

Grasshopper Definitions

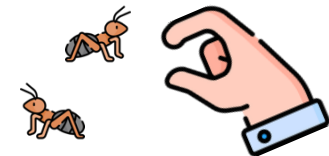
tiny

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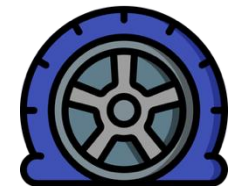
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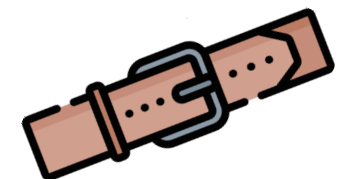
belt

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deflate

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Matching Meanings

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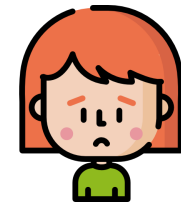


Shinobi Word

Shinobi Definitions

grit

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crestfallen

If you *** something, you throw it violently and with a lot of force.



warn

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deflate

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hurl

If you *** someone about something such as a possible danger or problem, you tell them about it so that they are aware of it.





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worried



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asure

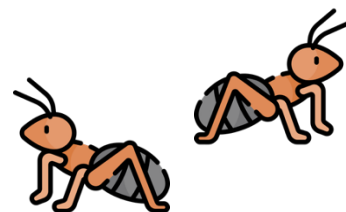


dia





tiny

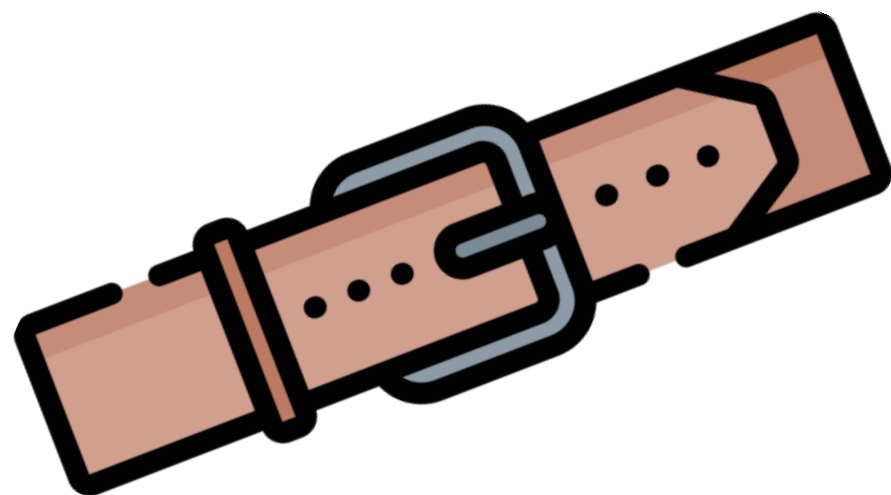
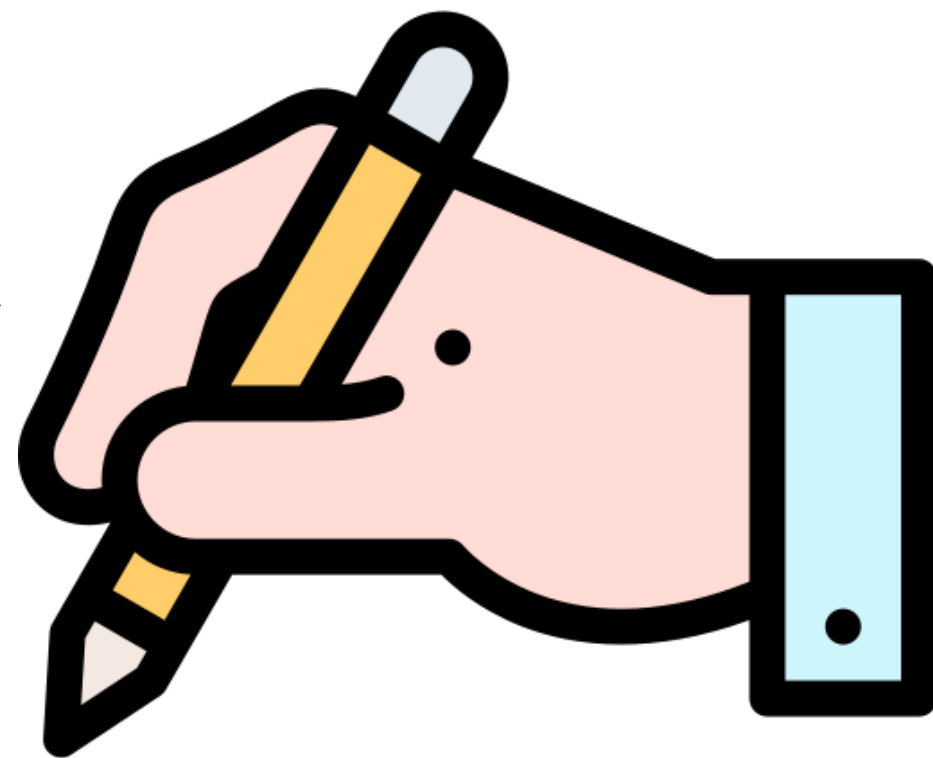


badge





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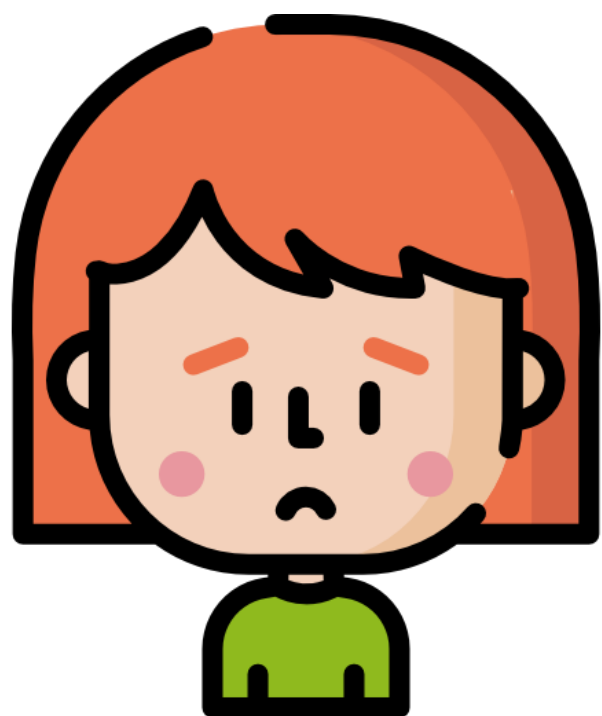
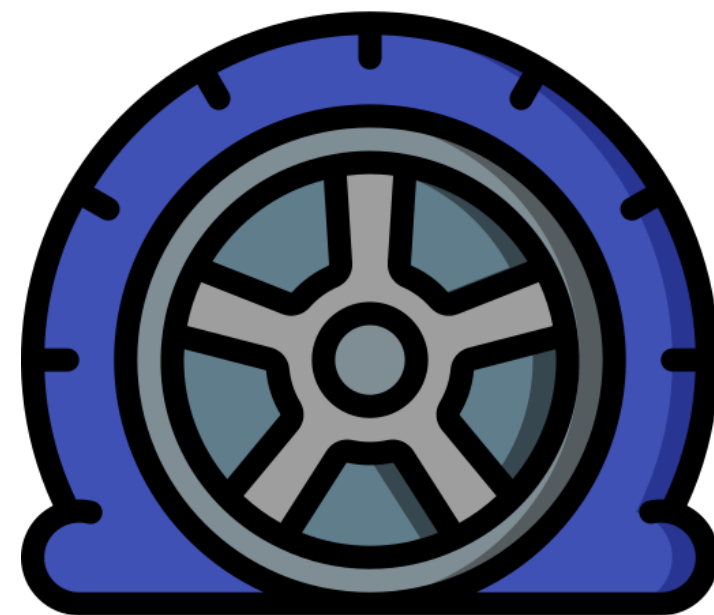


belt





deflate



crestfallen





grit

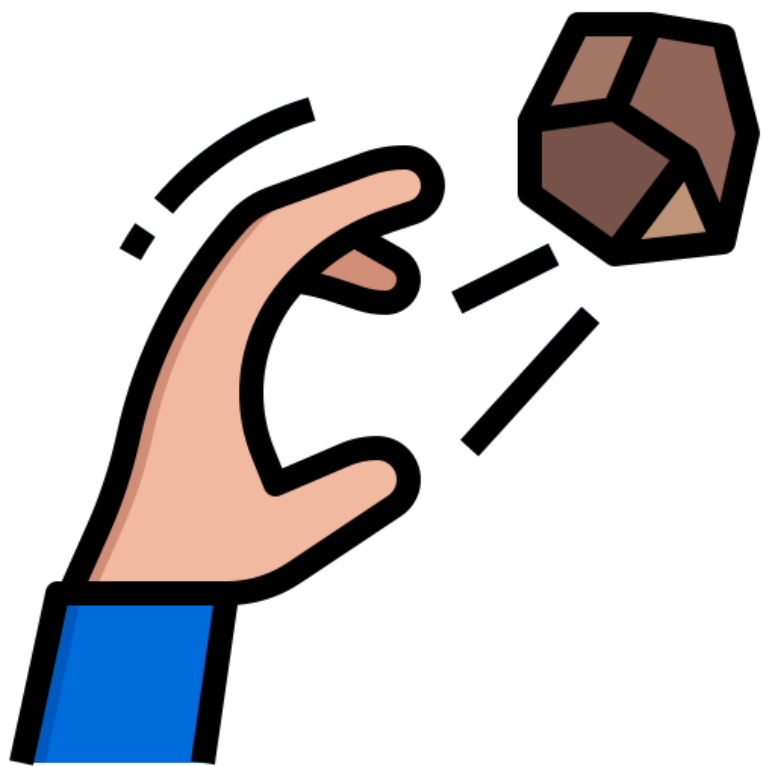


warn





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This Week's Words

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funeral

suit

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salute

building

Shinobi

mourn

grime

infectious

beast

precaution



VOCABULARY NINJA

Grasshopper (Tier 1)

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VOCABULARY NINJA

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VOCABULARY NINJA



Grasshopper Word of the Day

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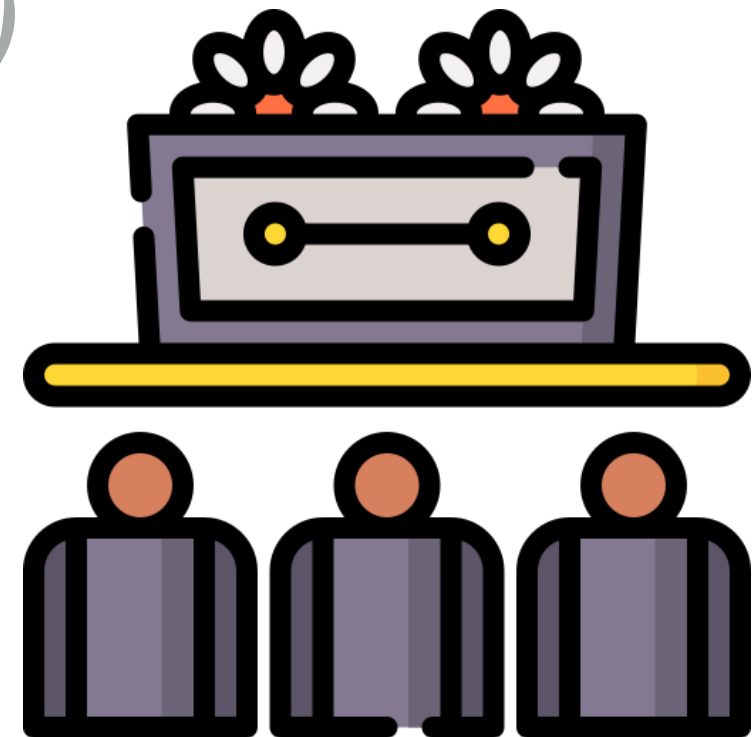
funeral
(fu-ner-al)

Word Class
(noun)

Pronunciation / Syllables

Definition:

A funeral is the ceremony that is held when the body of someone who has died is buried or cremated.



Sally went to her grandma's funeral.

Synonym:

burial
cremation

Antonym:

baptism
christening

Prefix / Suffix:

-s

Rhyme:

Link Word:

sombre
sadness



Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

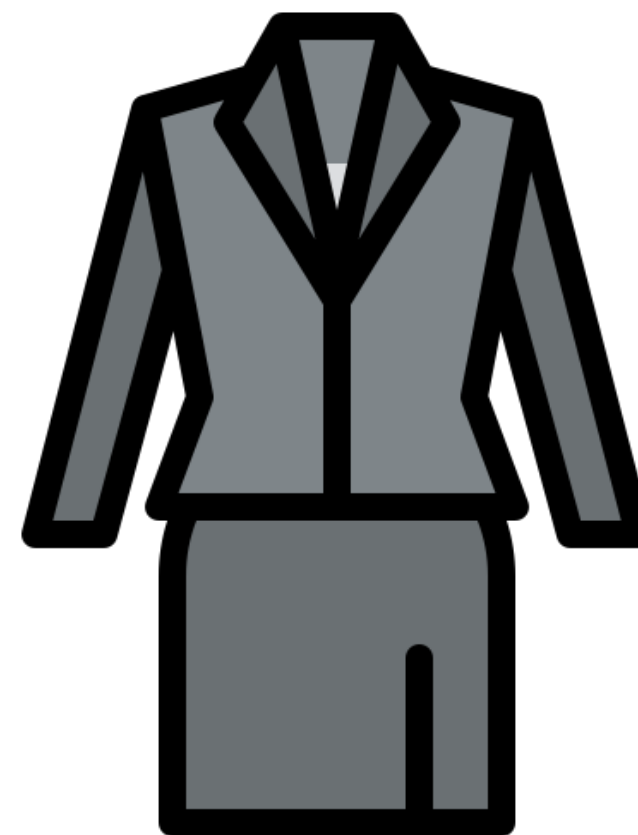
Pronunciation / Syllables

suit
(*suit*)

Word Class
(noun)

Definition:

A suit consists of a jacket, trousers, skirt and sometimes a waistcoat, all made from the same fabric.



Mrs Tweddle always wore a **suit** at school.

Synonym:

outfit
clothing

Antonym:

Prefix / Suffix:

swim-
jump-

Rhyme:

Link Word:

smart
dark



Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

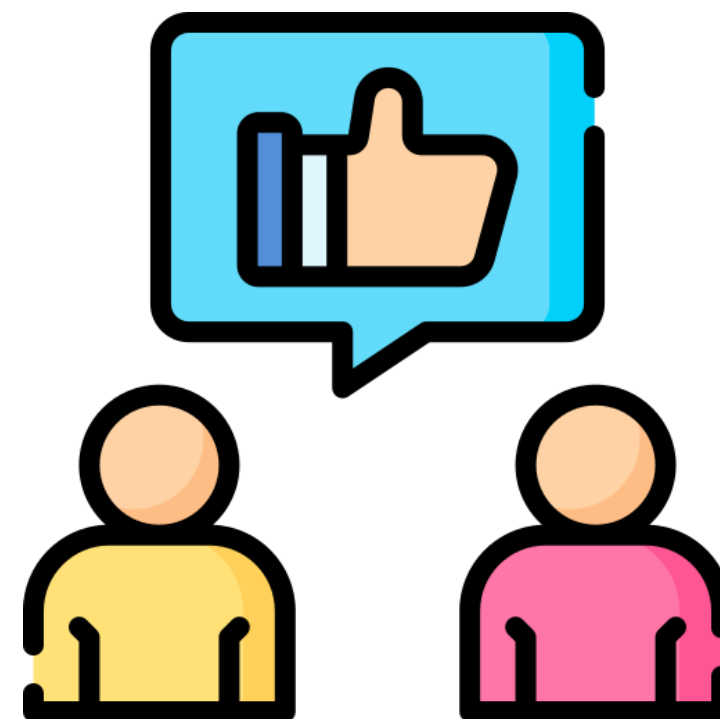
Pronunciation / Syllables

agree
(a-gree)

Word Class
(verb)

Definition:

If you agree to do something, you say that you will do it. If you agree to a proposal, you accept it.



Paul **agreed** to help Scott with his homework.

Synonym:

decide
promise

Antonym:

deny
disagree

Prefix / Suffix:

dis-
-ment

Rhyme:

free
key

Link Word:

with
to



Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

salute
(sa-lute)

Word Class
(verb / noun)

Definition:

If you salute someone, you greet them or show your respect with a formal sign. Soldiers usually salute officers by raising their right hand so that their fingers touch their forehead.



The guards **saluted** the King as he drove past.

Synonym:

address

greet

Antonym:

avoid

ignore

Prefix / Suffix:

-s

-ed

Rhyme:

fruit

boot

Link Word:

soldier

formal



Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

building
(*build-ing*)

Word Class
(noun)

Pronunciation / Syllables

Definition:

A building is a structure that has a roof and walls, for example a house or a factory.



The **building** was full of people.

Synonym:

structure

property

Antonym:

Prefix / Suffix:

-s

Rhyme:

fruit

boot

Link Word:

large

stone



Shinobi Word of the Day

Word Class
(verb)

Word of the Day:

mourn
(*mourn*)

Pronunciation / Syllables

Definition:

If you mourn someone who has died or mourn for them, you are very sad that they have died and show your sorrow in the way that you behave.



Sally mourned the loss of her grandma.

Synonym:

regret
grieve

Antonym:

rejoice

Prefix / Suffix:

-ing
-ed

Rhyme:

born
torn

Link Word:

deeply
openly



Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

grime
(grime)

Word Class
(noun)

Definition:

Grime is dirt which has collected on the surface of something.



Ravi's hands were covered in **grime**.

Synonym:

dirt
sludge

Antonym:

cleanliness
purity

Prefix / Suffix:

-y
-iness

Rhyme:

slime
crime

Link Word:

dirty
messy



Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

infectious
(in-fec-tious)

Word Class
(adjective)

Pronunciation / Syllables

Definition:

If a feeling is infectious, it spreads to other people. Something that spreads to others easily.



Mel's laughter was **infectious**.

Synonym:

contagious
spreading

Antonym:

harmless

Prefix / Suffix:

non-
-ly

Rhyme:

Link Word:

feeling
disease



Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

beast
(beast)

Word Class
(noun)

Definition:

You can refer to an animal as a beast, especially if it is a large, dangerous, unknown or unusual one.



The **beast** had left behind large tracks in the mud.

Synonym:

creature

critter

Antonym:

Prefix / Suffix:

-ly

-like

Rhyme:

least

feast

Link Word:

fierce

mystical



Shinobi Word of the Day

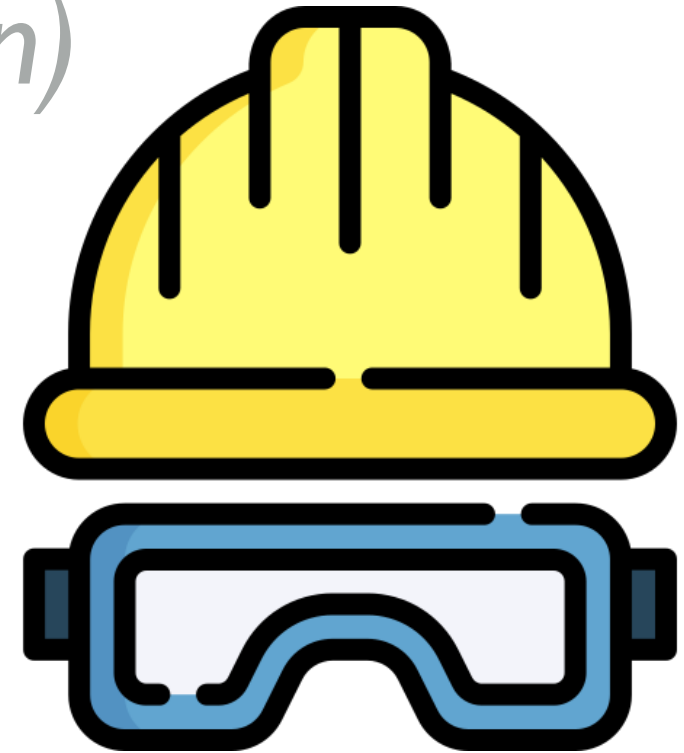
Word Class
(noun)

Word of the Day: **precaution**
(*pre-cau-tion*)

Pronunciation / Syllables

Definition:

A precaution is an action that is intended to prevent something dangerous or unpleasant from happening.



Mr Hinds wore goggles and a helmet as a **precaution**.

Synonym:

safeguard

defence

Antonym:

neglect

thoughtlessness

Prefix / Suffix

-s

-ary

Rhyme:

caution

Link Word:

take

neccesery

Vocabulary Laboratory



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Grasshopper words
and bring them to life.



Word: funeral

Word: suit

Word: salute

Word: building



Vocabulary Visualiser

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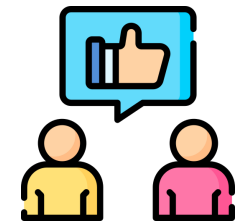


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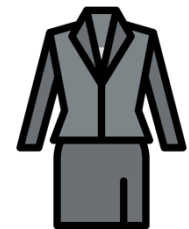
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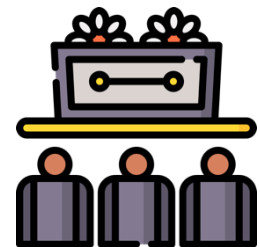
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Shinobi Word

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precaution

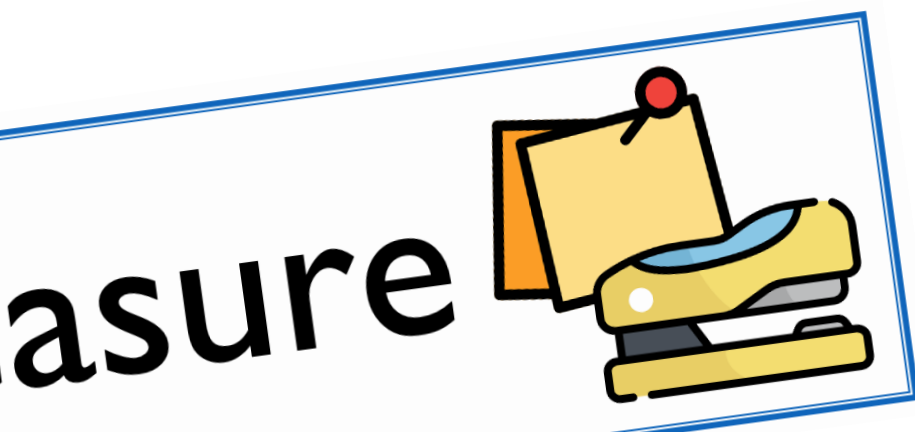
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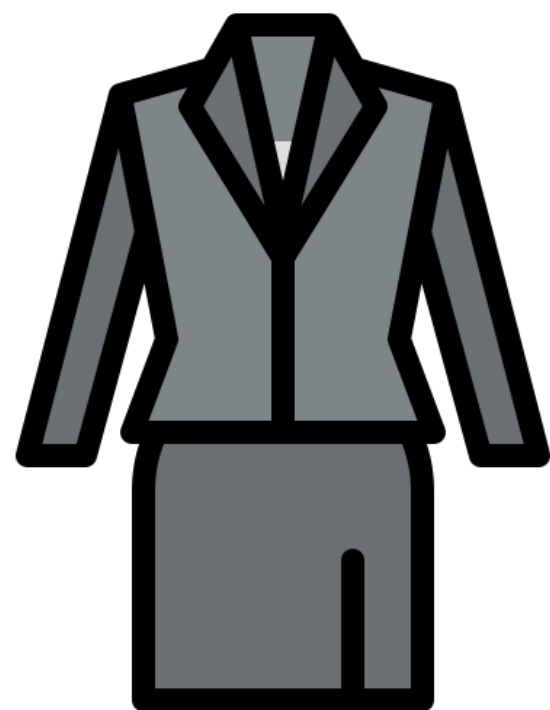
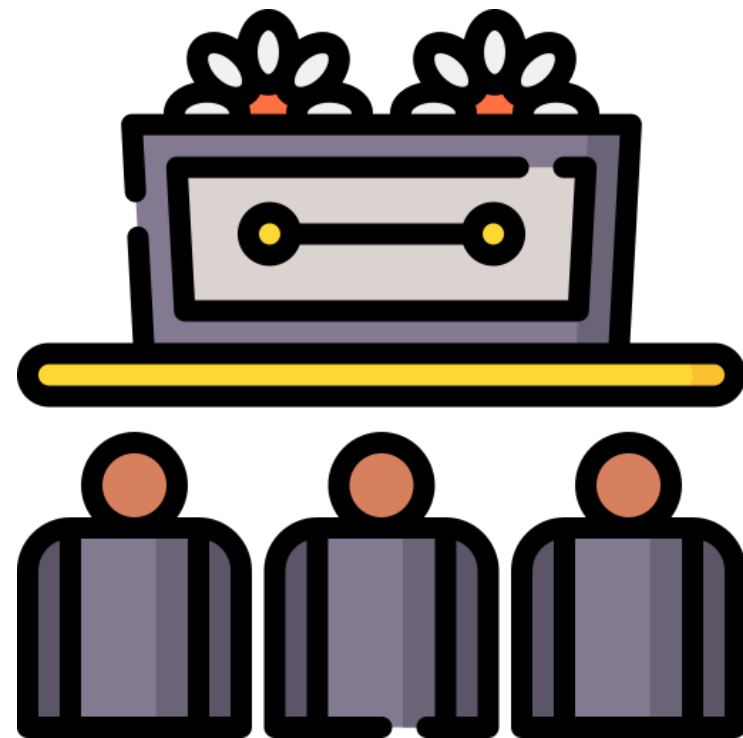
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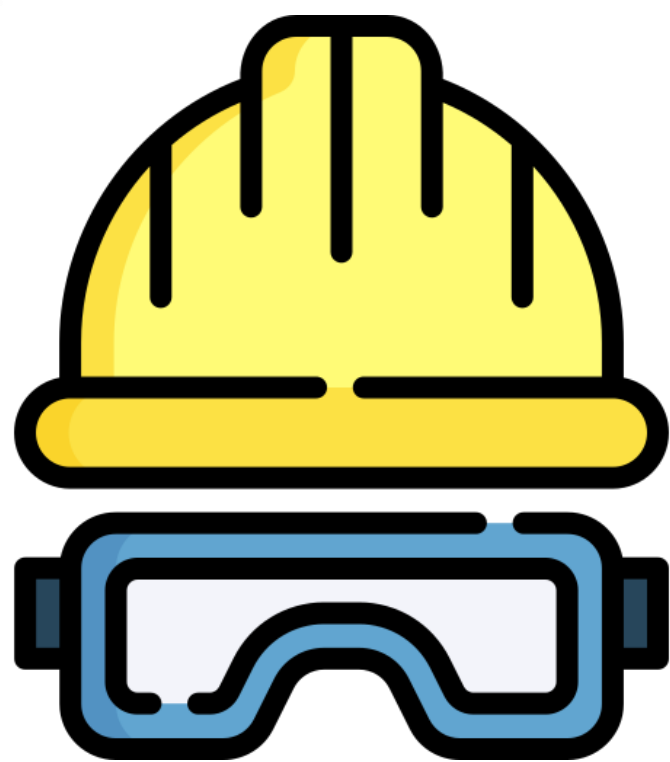


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