

Word of the Day

Autumn Term 2026

Week 6 – 5th October



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

Grasshopper

image

double

snarl

text

smell

Shinobi

bait

fixed

wrath

ransack

rifle



VOCABULARY NINJA

Grasshopper (Tier 1)

image

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smell



VOCABULARY NINJA

Shinobi (Tier 2)

bait

fixed

wrath

ransack

rifle



VOCABULARY NINJA



Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

image
(*im-age*)

Word Class
(noun)

Definition:

An image is a picture of someone or something.



Everyone stared at the **images** of the countryside.

Synonym:

picture

portrait

Antonym:

Rhyme:

Link Word:

book

picture



Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

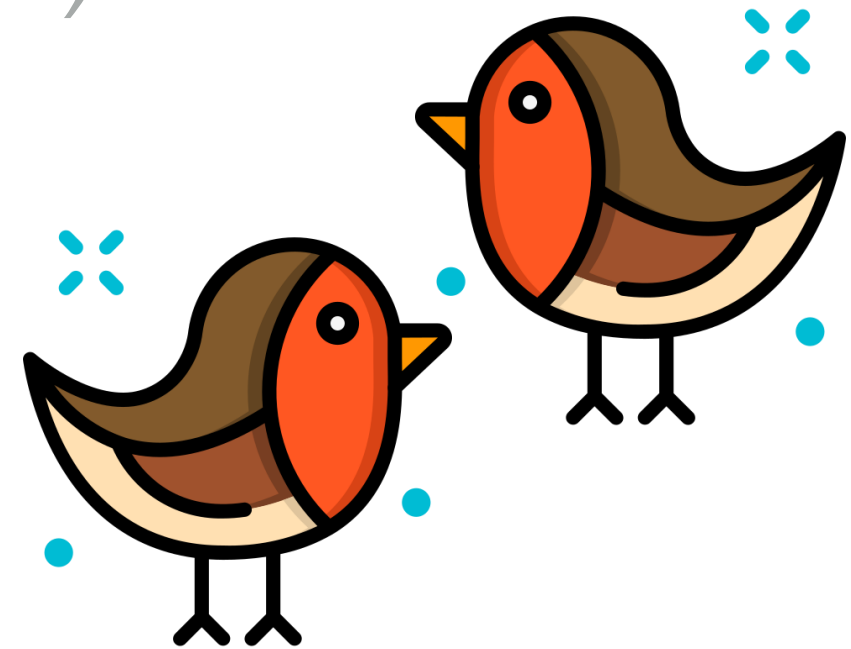
Pronunciation / Syllables

double
(dou-ble)

Word Class
(verb / adjective)

Definition:

When something doubles or when you double it, it becomes twice as great in number, amount, or size.



The number of robins in the garden **doubled**.

Synonym:

doubled

twofold

Antonym:

half

Rhyme:

trouble

rubble

Link Word:

two

four



Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

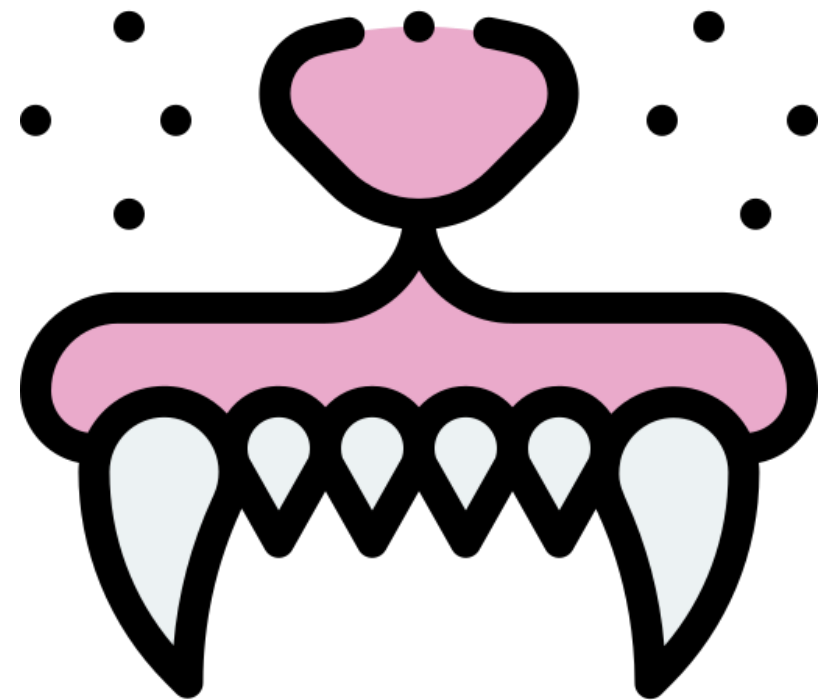
Pronunciation / Syllables

snarl
(*snarl*)

Word Class
(verb / noun)

Definition:

When an animal snarls, it makes a fierce, rough sound in its throat while showing its teeth.



The dog **snarled** at the cat outside of the window.

Synonym:

growl

show teeth

Antonym:

Rhyme:

Link Word:

teeth

anger



Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

text
(text)

Word Class
(noun / verb)

Definition:

The text (the written words) of a book is the main part of it, rather than the introduction, pictures, or notes.



Jennifer carefully read the **text**.

Synonym:

book

work

Antonym:

Rhyme:

next

perplexed

Link Word:

books

information



Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

smell
(smell)

Word Class
(verb / noun)

Definition:

If you say that something smells,
you mean that it smells
unpleasant.



The **smell** coming from the kitchen was wonderful.

Synonym:

odour

aroma

Antonym:

pong

stench

Rhyme:

well

hotel

Link Word:

good

bad



Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

bait
(*bait*)

Word Class
(noun / verb)

Definition:

To use something as bait means to use it to trick or persuade someone to do something.



The treasure was being used as **bait**.

Synonym:

lure

decoy

Antonym:

Prefix / Suffix:

-ing

-ed

Rhyme:

state

late

Link Word:

trick

draw in



Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

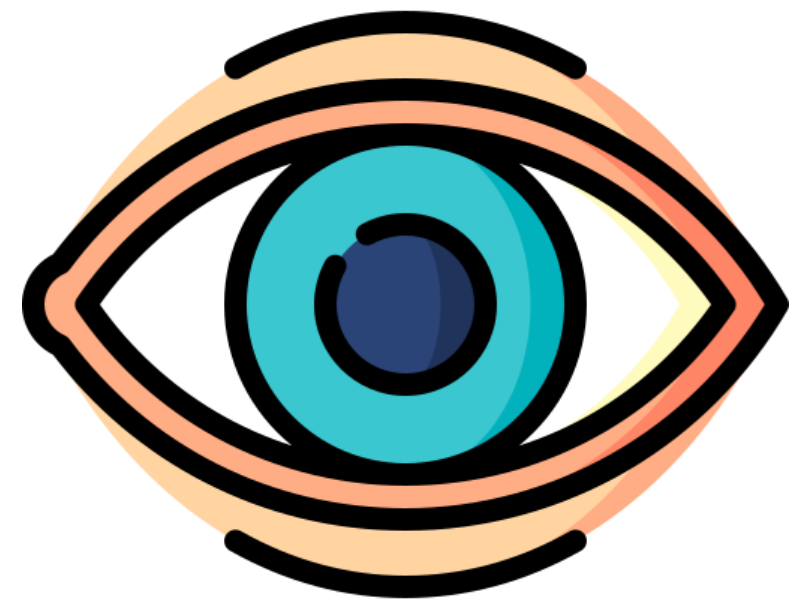
Pronunciation / Syllables

fixed
(fixed)

Word Class
(adjective)

Definition:

If you say someone's eyes were fixed on someone or something, their eyes don't move from that spot, they are fixed.



Imran's eyes were **fixed** on the teacher.

Synonym:

direct

focus

Antonym:

lose

Prefix / Suffix:

-ation

Rhyme:

mixed

transfixed

Link Word:

stare

follow



Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

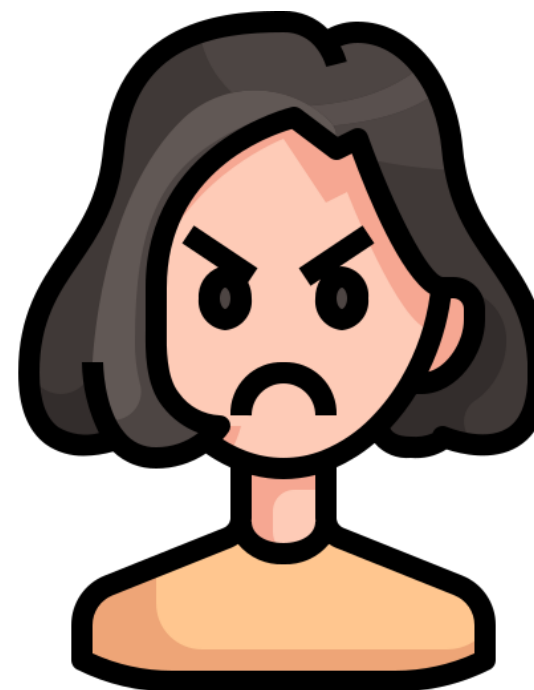
Pronunciation / Syllables

wrath
(*wrath*)

Word Class
(noun)

Definition:

Wrath means the same as anger.



If Mia didn't stop; she would feel her mum's **wrath**!

Synonym:

rage

fury

Antonym:

happiness

Prefix / Suffix:

-ful

Rhyme:

path

bath

Link Word:

feel

anger



Shinobi Word of the Day

Word Class
(verb)

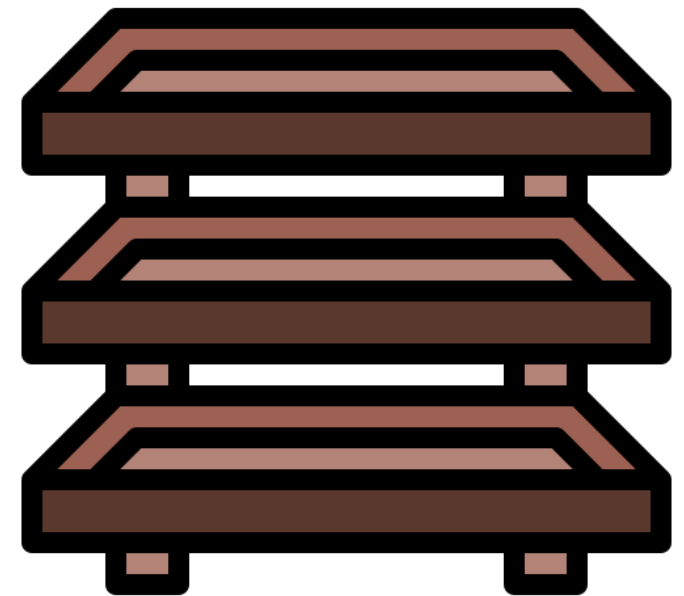
Word of the Day:

ransack
(*ran-sack*)

Pronunciation / Syllables

Definition:

If people ransack a building, they damage things in it or make it very untidy, often because they are looking for something in a quick and careless way.



The shops had been **ransacked**.

Synonym:

plunder
pillage

Antonym:

Prefix / Suffix:

-ed
-ing

Rhyme:

Link Word:

shop
shelves



Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day:

Pronunciation / Syllables

rifle
(ri-fle)

Word Class
(verb / noun)

Definition:

If you rifle through things or rifle them, you make a quick search among them in order to find something or steal something.



Nigel **rifled** through the drawer to find a red sock.

Synonym:

rummage

forage

Antonym:

Prefix / Suffix

-ed

-ing

Rhyme:

trifle

stifle

Link Word:

fridge

drawer

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: image

Word: double

Word: text

Word: smell



Vocabulary Visualiser

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



Word: fixed

Word: wrath

Word: ransack

Word: rifle



Matching Meanings

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

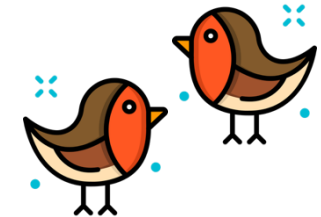


Grasshopper Word

Grasshopper Definitions

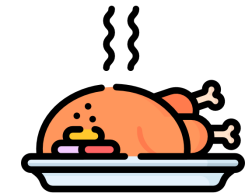
image

When something *** or when you double it, it becomes twice as great in number, amount, or size.



double

If you say that something ***, you mean that it *** unpleasant.



snarl

An *** is a picture of someone or something.



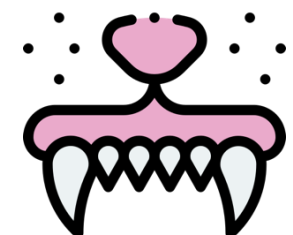
text

The *** (the written words) of a book is the main part of it, rather than the introduction, pictures, or notes.



smell

When an animal ***, it makes a fierce, rough sound in its throat while showing its teeth.



Matching Meanings

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



Shinobi Word

Shinobi Definitions

bait

*** means the same as anger.

fixed

If people *** a building, they damage things in it or make it very untidy, often because they are looking for something in a quick and careless way.

wrath

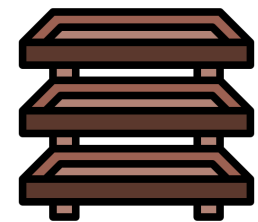
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ransack

If you *** through things or rifle them, you make a quick search among them in order to find something or steal something.

rifle

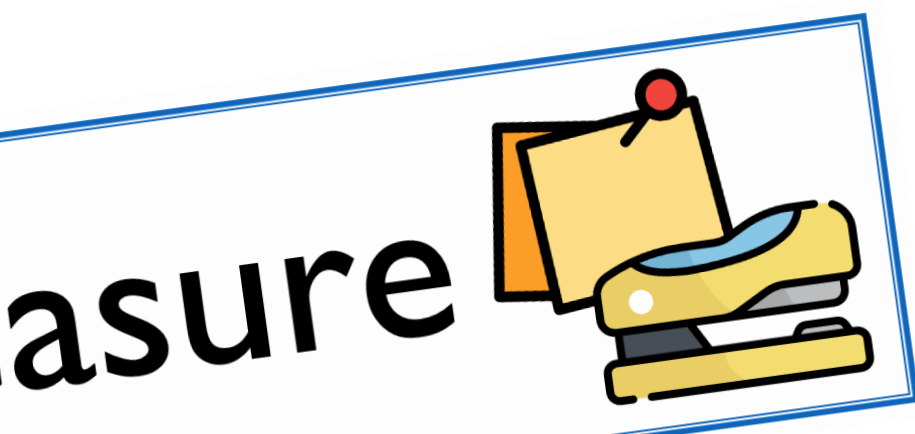
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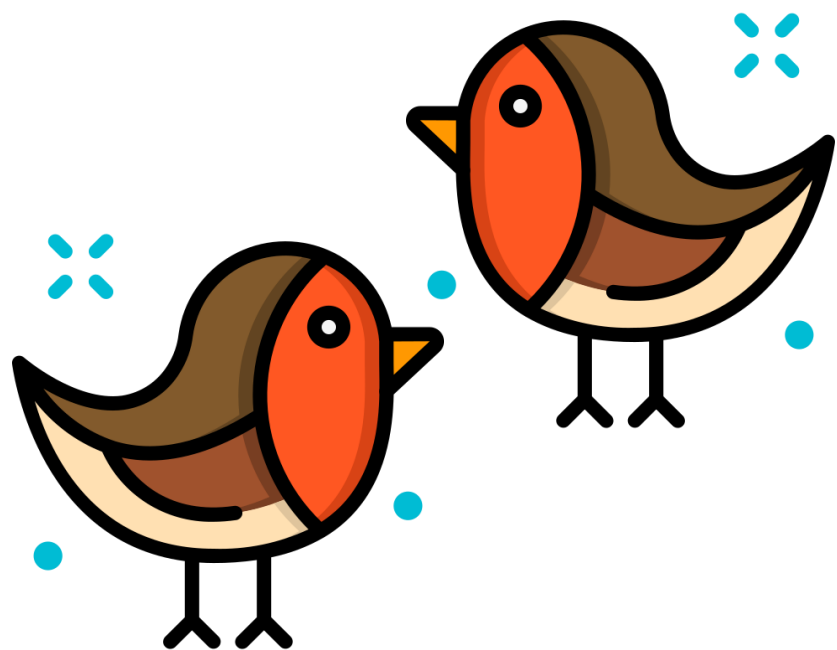
Display Slips

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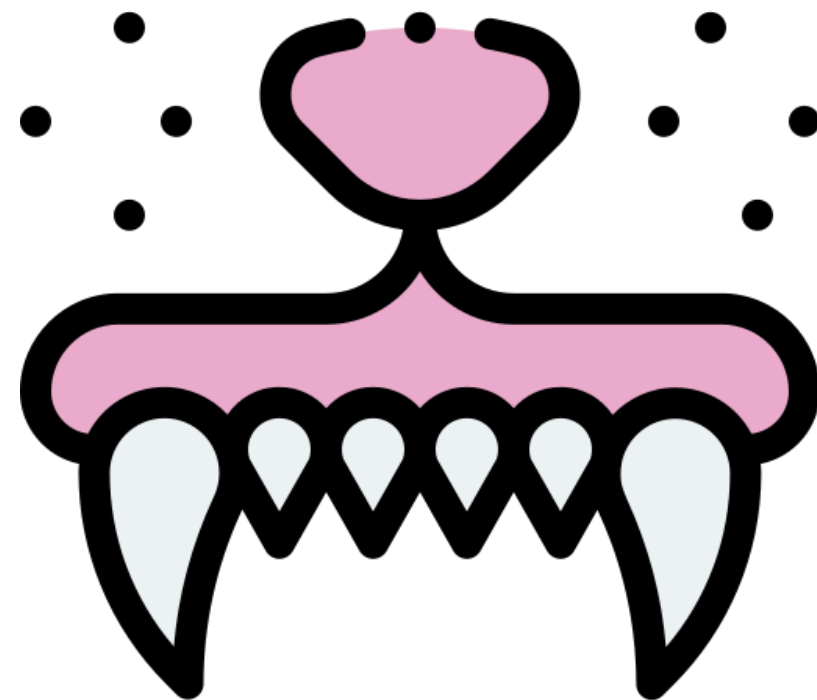


double





snarl

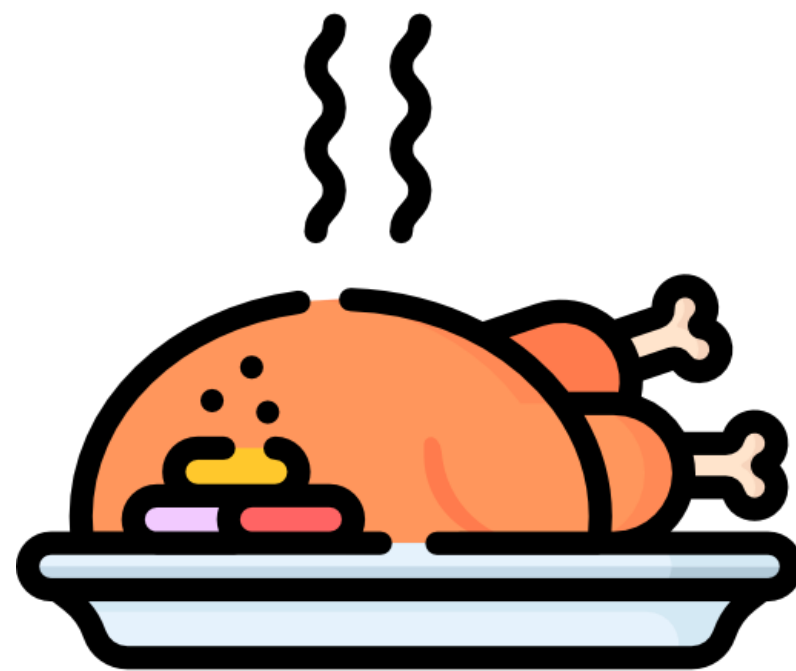


text





smell

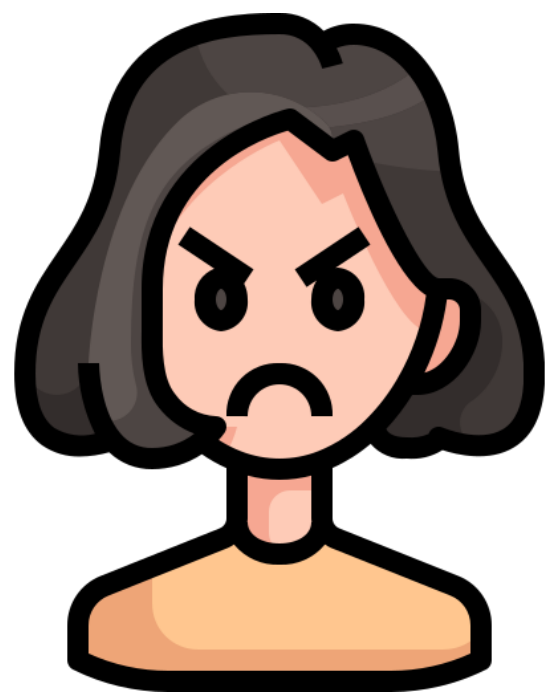
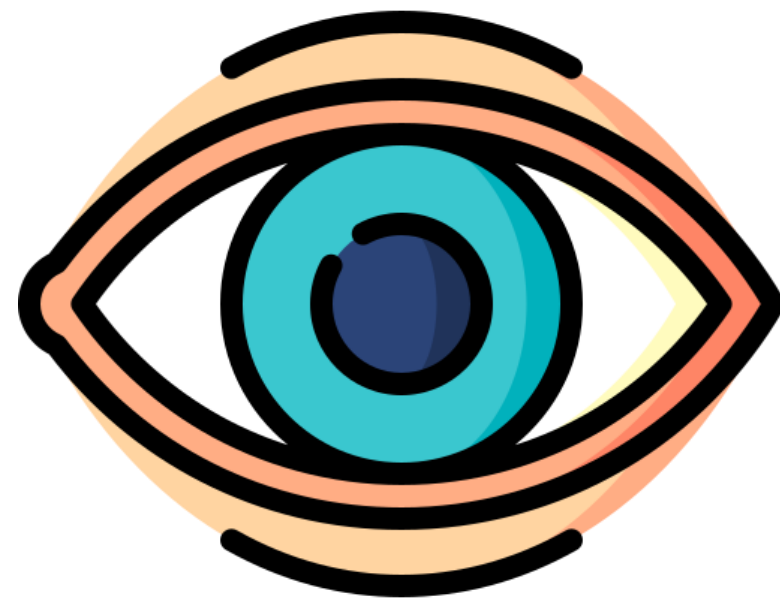


bait





fixed

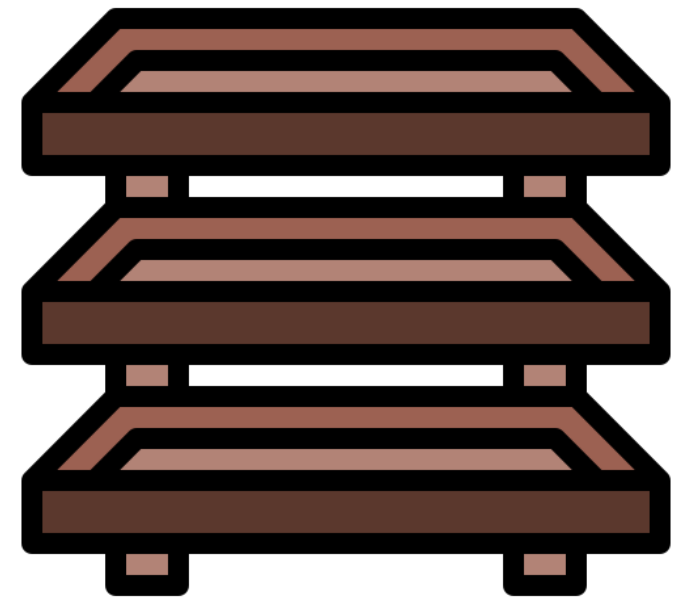


wrath





ransack



rifle

