

# Fun with New Words

Dear Family,

During the week of \_\_\_\_\_, your child will be studying the meanings of the following words. As students learn the words in this vocabulary program, they will become better at expressing themselves in speech and writing. Please try to use these words as often as you can during the week. Thank you for your help.

## lodge

If an object lodges somewhere, it gets stuck there.

Ask your child to pretend they are lodged in their seat while eating a meal or watching TV.

## feverish

If you do something feverishly, you do it very quickly, as if you need to finish it as soon as possible.

Challenge your child to work feverishly on a task that needs to be finished quickly.

## tactic

A tactic is something you do to try to get what you want.

Ask your child to write down a few things they want and help them brainstorm good tactics for getting them.

## disband

If a group disbands, it stops doing things together as a group.

Talk with your child about when a sports team might disband.



Teacher

## ingenuity

If you have ingenuity, you are good at finding new ways to solve problems and make things.

Encourage your child to use their ingenuity to solve a math problem.

## anonymous

If you are anonymous, other people don't know your name or that you were the one who did something.

Have your child make up a story about an anonymous mouse, telling about some of the challenges someone might face if no one knew their name.

## crucial

If something is crucial, it is very important.

When dressing, ask your child what items of clothing are crucial for the weather outside.

## formative

A formative experience is one that plays an important part in the kind of person you become.

Share with your child some experiences that have been formative in your life.