

# 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.

## navigate

If you navigate something, you find a way to move on, through, or around it.

Ask your child to show how they navigate around a room in your home.

## phenomenal

Someone or something that is phenomenal is unusual because it is so good.

Discuss with your child things you each think are phenomenal. Compare your answers.

## sedate

If a person or animal is sedate, they are quiet and don't get excited easily.

Make a list with your child of people you know who could be called sedate. Why do they think so?

## mandate

If you mandate something, you declare it must be done.

Allow your child to mandate a family dinner or activity during the week.



Teacher

## astute

Someone who is astute is very good at understanding things.

Ask your child to name some people they think are astute. Why do they think so?

## superior

If something is superior, it is far better than something else.

Show your child two similar household items. Ask your child to tell you which one they think is superior and tell why.

## humanitarian

A humanitarian works to improve the lives of people who are suffering.

Discuss with your child some humanitarian groups and what they do.

## accolade

If someone is given an accolade, something is done or said about them that shows how much people admire them.

Ask your child to name someone in your family they think should get an accolade. Why do they deserve it?