

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.

mischief

Mischief is something that irritates or annoys people but doesn't seriously hurt anyone or anything.

Recall for your child the mischief they got into when they were younger.

recruit

If you recruit people for something you are doing, you convince them to help you do it.

Use recruit to ask for your child's help with a chore or a project.

nonchalant

If someone is nonchalant, they seem calm and don't seem to worry about what happens.

Ask your child to act nonchalant. Do they know any fictional characters that are nonchalant?

undeterred

If you are undeterred, you keep doing something, even when other people try to stop you.

Invite your child to do a simple activity, such as hopping, and continue doing it undeterred, even when you ask them to stop.

Teacher

meander

Someone or something that meanders somewhere moves slowly and not in a straight line.

Go for a meandering walk in a park or around the neighborhood with your child.

apprehension

If you feel apprehension, you are afraid that something bad might happen.

Ask your child to show you how they might act if they feel apprehension.

sleuth

A sleuth is someone who solves mysteries or investigates crimes.

Hide an object somewhere in your home. Have your child to be a sleuth and find it by asking questions and looking for it.

hunch

If you have a hunch about something, you have a strong feeling it is true, even though you don't have any proof.

Ask your child to tell you two hunches they have about what will happen in the future.

