

RINGING IN THE NEW YEAR

Knowing lots of words helps children become strong readers.

Worcester Reads' Word of the Day (WOD) project helps children learn new words throughout the year. Explore words to ring in the New Year!

Share these words of thanks and love with a child in your life.

HELPING CHILDREN LEARN NEW WORDS IS SIMPLE: Find it. Speak it. Show it.

- Find the date on the WOD Calendar.
- Ask your child if s/he knows the WOD; use his/her answers to define it and use it in a sentence.
- Then use the WOD in sentences throughout the course of the day.
- Post the WOD or WOD Calendar on your blackboards, bulletin boards, marquees, storefront windows, reception desks, Twitter feed, Facebook pages, and websites.
- Talk it up with everyone!

WORD OF THE DAY CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
Multiple Meaning Mondays: How many meanings can you think of for Monday words?		JANUARY 1 <u>Knowledge:</u> Understanding awareness	2 <u>Personality:</u> The qualities of a person that make them different from others	3 <u>Morals:</u> What is right and what is wrong	4 <u>Leisure:</u> Free time off of work, duties	5 <u>Companionship:</u> Being friendly, generous and considerate
6 <u>Ensure:</u> To make certain	7 <u>Mean:</u> Multiple Meaning Monday	8 <u>Zany:</u> A clown; silly or foolish	9 <u>Conclude:</u> To come to an end	10 <u>Auspicious:</u> Promising success, favorable	11 <u>Confidential:</u> Secret, private	12 <u>Vicinity:</u> A general surrounding area
13 <u>Chivalry:</u> The qualities expected of an ideal knight: courage, kindness, etc.	14 <u>Express:</u> Multiple Meaning Monday	15 <u>Pretentious:</u> Appearing or trying to appear more valuable than is the case	16 <u>Meditate:</u> To think over carefully, to spend time in peace and quiet	17 <u>Scarce:</u> Lacking in quality or number	18 <u>Hearten:</u> To cheer up, encourage	19 <u>Salutary:</u> Producing a good result, furthering good health
20 <u>Prestige:</u> Importance in the eye of others	21 <u>Rose:</u> Multiple Meaning Monday	22 <u>Escapade:</u> A mischievous adventure	23 <u>Culminate:</u> To reach the highest point	24 <u>Discombobulate:</u> To be confused or flustered	25 <u>Sympathy:</u> Kind understanding and concern for others	26 <u>Dismay:</u> To cause to lose courage or to feel concern
27 <u>Journey:</u> Travel from one place to another	28 <u>Tire:</u> Multiple Meaning Monday	29 <u>Jaded:</u> Showing a lack of interest or excitement by doing something too much	30 <u>Incentive:</u> Something that makes a person try harder	31 <u>Coincide:</u> To agree exactly	FEBRUARY 1 <u>Scurrilous:</u> Vulgar or evil	2 <u>Enhance:</u> To increase or improve in value, desirability, or attractiveness
3 <u>Ruminate:</u> To go over in your mind repeatedly	4 <u>Address:</u> Multiple Meaning Monday	5 <u>Passion:</u> A great affection; a strong liking, love	6 <u>Strategy:</u> A careful plan or method	7 <u>Blunder:</u> A bad or silly mistake	8 <u>Immerse:</u> To be fully involved in	9 <u>Proficient:</u> To be very good at something through practice
10 <u>Adamant:</u> To be firmly fixed or decided	11 <u>Bright:</u> Multiple Meaning Mon.	Happy New Year! Celebrate with family, friends and good books.				



WORCESTER READS

*20 Minutes. Every Child. Every Day.
20 Minutos. Cada Niño. Cada Día.*

The Most Important 20 Minutes of Your Day...Read with Your Child