

# GIVING THANKS & SHARING LOVE

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. This calendar is designed to explore words from Thanksgiving into the New Year.

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

**HELPING CHILDREN LEARN THE WOD IS SIMPLE: Find it. Speak it. Show it.**

- Find the date on the WOD Calendar.
- Ask your child if they know the WOD; use their 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, Facebook pages, and websites.
- Talk it up with everyone!



**Multiple Meaning Mondays:** How many meanings can you think of for Monday words?

| SUN   | MON   | TUES   | WED  | THURS   | FRI   | SAT  |
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|   | NOVEMBER  |  | 23<br><u>Preparation:</u><br>things you do to get ready for an event     | 24<br><u>Gratitude:</u><br>being thankful and showing appreciation            | 25<br><u>Satiated:</u><br>feeling full or satisfied         | 26<br><u>Kindness:</u> being friendly, generous and considerate                              |
| 27<br><u>Generous:</u> to give more of something than expected    | 28<br><u>Harmony:</u><br>Multiple Meaning Monday  | 28<br><u>Appreciate:</u><br>being thankful or grateful           | 30<br><u>Forgiveness:</u><br>stop being angry or blaming someone         | 1<br><u>Sacrifice:</u> giving up something you want to keep to help others    | 2<br><u>Abundance:</u> a large amount of something          | 3<br><u>Donation:</u> something that you give, like money or clothes, to help another person |
| 4<br><u>Lavish:</u><br>extravagant; luxurious                     | 5<br><u>Embrace:</u><br>Multiple Meaning Monday   | 6<br><u>Faithful:</u><br>unwavering in belief                    | 7<br><u>Impatient:</u><br>annoyed at waiting                             | 8<br><u>Nibble:</u><br>take small, quick bites                                | 9<br><u>Scrumptious:</u><br>delicious                       | 10<br><u>Aroma:</u> a very pleasant smell like from something baking                         |
| 11<br>Boisterous: noisy; rowdy; energetic                         | 12<br><u>Volunteer:</u><br>Multiple Meaning Monday                                      | 13<br><u>Relatives:</u><br>people who are members of your family | 14<br><u>Extravagant:</u><br>using more than necessary                   | 15<br><u>Joyful:</u> feeling or showing great happiness                       | 16<br><u>Considerate:</u><br>thoughtful of others' feelings | 17<br><u>Companionship:</u><br>good feeling that comes from being with someone else          |
| 18<br><u>Adore:</u><br>love and respect very much                 | 19<br><u>Ritual:</u><br>Multiple Meaning Monday   | 20<br><u>Host:</u> person who receives or entertains guests      | 21<br><u>Winter Solstice:</u><br>shortest amount of daylight in the year | 22<br><u>Elegant:</u><br>stylish and graceful                                 | 23<br><u>Eager:</u><br>desire to do something               | 24<br><u>Festive:</u> very merry and joyful to help celebrate something                      |
| 25<br><u>Peace:</u> quiet, tranquil; no fighting                  | 26<br><u>Relish:</u><br>Multiple Meaning Monday   | 27<br><u>Friend:</u><br>person you like and enjoy being with     | 28<br><u>Humble:</u> modest; not bragging, proud or arrogant             | 29<br><u>Generations:</u> all the people born and living around the same time | 30<br><u>Delighted:</u><br>show great pleasure or joy       | 31<br><u>Acquaintance:</u><br>someone you know but isn't a close friend yet                  |
| JANUARY 1<br><u>Celebrate:</u> do something special for a holiday | <p><b>Happy New Year!</b><br/><b>Celebrate with family, friends and good books.</b></p> |  |  |   |   |  |



## 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**