



Elementary 5<sup>th</sup> Six Weeks  
**Word of the Week**



Week	Word	Pronunciation	Definition	Word in a Sentence	Picture
1	contrast	<b>kon-trast</b>	to compare in order to show unlikeness or differences; note the opposite natures, purposes, etc., of	I had to compare and <b>contrast</b> the characters in the story.	
2	demonstrate	<b>dem-uh n-streyt</b>	to describe, explain, or illustrate by examples, specimens, experiments, or the like	I'll <b>demonstrate</b> how my experiment works for you.	
3	locate	<b>loh-keyt</b>	to identify or discover the place or location of	Can you <b>locate</b> Nebraska on the map for me?	
4	paraphrase	<b>par-uh-freyz</b>	a restatement of a text or passage giving the meaning in another form, as for clearness; rewording	I had to <b>paraphrase</b> the passage I read.	
5	recognize	<b>rek-uh g-nahyz</b>	to identify as something or someone previously seen, known, etc.; to identify from knowledge of appearance or characteristics	I did not <b>recognize</b> my friend in her costume for the school play.	
6	support	<b>suh -pohrt</b>	to furnish corroborating evidence for; to maintain or advocate (a theory, principle, etc.)	I have <b>support</b> my answers with text evidence.	

\*Many of the W.O.W. words have multiple definitions. As students become proficient with the definition presented, encourage them to explore the multiple word meanings.



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**Purpose:**

The Word of the Week (WOW) is designed to promote learning and literacy through the expansion of word knowledge and vocabulary skills.

## “WOW” in Action

- The “WOW” word will be announced daily in all campuses.
- Students are encouraged and challenged to use the “WOW” word as many times as they can throughout the school day.
- Parents are challenged to guess the word of the week by noticing overuse of the word by their child.
- The Word of the Week will be displayed in all classrooms and campuses.
- Students are encouraged to use the words in their daily writing activities.
- Administrators, staff, and volunteers will ask students about the acquired words.
- Videos of the “WOW” word will be displayed on the campus VBrick resource or digital marquee.
- Teachers and campus administration will recognize positive exemplars of word usage.