

4th Grade Vocabulary

Lesson 1-Synonyms

Romp: to play
Appoint: to choose
Jittery: nervous
Glee: delight
Pledge: a promise
Startle: a surprise
Grief: sorrow; sadness
Vessel: a ship
Triumph: victory
Sweltering: extremely hot

Lesson 2-Synonyms

Unfurl: unfold
Thaws: melts
Din: loud noise
Garment: an article of clothing
Chide: to scold
Vast: great
Nimble: quick
Trophy: a prize
Fret: worry
Eerie: strange

Lesson 3-Antonyms

Excited: to stir up or awaken
Calm: still or nearly still
Identical: exactly the same
Dissimilar: different
Enlarge: to make bigger
Reduce: to make smaller
Vanish: to disappear
Appear: to make visible
Foreign: when a person or things comes from another place
Native: being the place where a person was born or a thing came into being

Lesson 4-Antonyms

Collect: to gather
Disperse: to give out
Maintain: to keep something
Discontinue: to stop
Snare: grab or catch something
Release: to let go
Methodical: neat; tidy
Haphazard: messy
Torrent: a violent rushing, a very rapid downpour
Trickle: light rain

Lesson 5-Compound Words

Driftwood: wood that floats on water
Waterfront: land along a body of water
Cardboard: a stiff heavy paper
Junkyard: an area where junk and garbage is kept
Textbook: a book about a certain subject
Beanstalk: a stalk or stem on which beans grow
Quicksand: loose sand and water that gives way under weight
Landmark: a building or place kept to make an event that happened there
Gingerbread: a kind of cake or cookie made with ginger
Sunburn: irritation to the skin caused by too much sun

Lesson 6-Homophones

Boar: a wild pig
Bore: uninteresting
Sweet: having a taste of sugar or honey
Suite: a group of rooms that are connected
Vain: proud
Mettle: courage
Metal: a substance such as iron, copper, silver, lead, or brass
Boulder: a big rock
Bolder: feeling brave
Vein: a vessel that carries blood to your heart

Lesson 7- Homographs

Prune: a dried plum

Prune: to trim

Desert: leave someone or something

Desert: a region with very little rainfall

Grouse: a kind of bird

Grouse: to complain

Bass: a kind of fish

Bass: a low singing voice

Sewer: someone who sews and mends fabrics

Sewer: a pipe that carries waste away

Lesson 9-Words From Other Languages

Mustang: a wild horse

Ski: a long flat runner worn on the foot

Avocado: a tropical fruit that grows on trees

Rodeo: a show with horseback riding and roping

Waffle: a breakfast cake made from batter

Caboose: the last car on a freight train

Sleigh: a kind of sled

Yacht: a boat used for pleasure

Skull: the bones in your head

Patio: an outdoor space used for relaxing near a house

Lesson 11-Clips

Deli: a store that sells prepared foods

Memo: a brief, written message

Vet: a doctor for animals

Gym: a place for sports and exercise

Dorm: a place where students sleep at a school

Drape: a piece of cloth over a window

Gas: a fluid used as fuel

Mayo: a sauce that people use on sandwiches and salads

Flu: an illness that causes high temperatures, aches, and is contagious

Condo: an apartment that is owned rather than rented

Lesson 8-Eponyms

Jovial: jolly; happy

Limerick: a funny five-line poem

Saxophone: a musical instrument

Bloomers: long pants gathered at the knee

Titanic: huge or great

Guppy: a small colorful fish

Tweed: a woolen cloth made with two or more colors of yarn

Sandwich: two pieces of bread with filling between them

Braille: a system of writing with raised dots for blind people

Ferris wheel: a large wheel that turns and has hanging seats

Lesson10-Words From Other Languages

Depot: a station or a storehouse

Corduroy: a cotton cloth with ridges

Paddy: a flooded field where rice grows

Opera: a story performed in song and music

Judo: a sport and form of self-defense using the body

Futon: a kind of mattress

Trampoline: a tough fabric suspended by springs

Umbrella: a portable device to protect one from rain, snow, or the sun

Ravioli: a small pocket of pasta filled with meat or cheese

Gong: a kind of bell that makes a deep sound when struck

Lesson 12-Blends

Moped: a bicycle with a motor

Smash: to shatter

Heliport: a place where helicopters land and take off

Twirl: to turn around

Brunch: a meal that combines breakfast and lunch

Telecast: a show that you watch on TV

Smog: polluted fog

Cheeseburger: a hamburger with cheese

Motel: a hotel for motorists

Chortle: laugh

Lesson 13- Math

Parallel: lines that are always the same distance apart
Estimate: a careful, educated guess about quantity
Congruent: a figure that has the same shape and size
Diameter: a straight line through the center of a circle
Octagon: a figure with eight sides and eight angles
Probability: the chance of something happening
Diagonal: a slanted line
Pentagon: a figure with five sides and five angles
Triangle: a figure with three sides and three angles
Polygon: a closed figure with three or more straight lines

Lesson 15-Latin Roots (art, pop, corp)

Artisan: a craftsperson skilled in an industry or trade
Artifact: something made by human skill
Artistic: having to do with art or artists
Population: the number of people living in a place
Populous: a place with many people
Popular: being well-liked

Corporal: having to do with the body

Corporation: an organization made up of a group of people who act as one

Artist: someone who paints or is skilled in other fine arts

Corps: is a group of people with special training

Lesson 17-Greek Word part (geo, photo, auto)

Autograph: your signature
Geography: the study of Earth's surface
Geology: the science of how Earth was formed
Geometry: the study of angles, lines, and figures
Photograph: a picture taken by a camera
Photogenic: someone who looks good in photographs
Photocopier: a machine that makes copies
Telephoto: a lens can take pictures at great distances

Autobiography: the story of your life

Automatic: something self-propelled

Lesson 14-Animals

Ram: a male sheep
Ewe: a female sheep
Stallion: a male horse
Mare: a female horse
Cob: a male swan
Pen: a female swan
Doe: a female deer
Buck: a male deer
Nanny: a female goat
Billy: a male goat

Lesson 16-Latin Roots (aqua, port)

Aquonaut: an underwater explorer
Aquarium: a tank for fish or other aquatic life
Aquatic: related to the water
Aquamarine: a blue-green color like water
Aqueduct: a pipe or channel that carries water
Portable: something that is easily moved from place to place
Transport: to take something from one place to another
Porter: someone who carries baggage

Comport: the way one behaves

Report: an account prepared in an organized way

Lesson 18-Coined Words

Skyscraper: very tall buildings
Astronaut: is the pilot of a spacecraft
Monorail: a train that runs on a single track
Takeout: prepared food that you take home to eat
Nylon: a material made from chemicals
Laptop: a small portable computer
Suburb: a community outside a large city
Infomercial: a TV program that gives information and also sells a product
Jazz: music with strong rhythm and an accented beat that fall in unusual places
Hatchback: a sloping rear end of a car having a single door that is lifted to open

Lesson 19-Word Stories

Panic: a sudden overwhelming fear

Flashy: something colorful that stands out

China: fine pottery used to make dishes

Pineapple: fruit that looks like a pinecone

Vandalism: the destruction of valued things

Popcorn: heated corn kernels

Jeep: a powerful car with four-wheeled drive

Funny bone: a place where a nerve passes your bended elbow

Eavesdrop: listening in on someone's conversation

Gargantuan: very large

Lesson 21- Funny Words

Poppycock: nonsense

Bamboozle: a trick

Polliwog: a tadpole

Dillydally: to waste time

Bonkers: crazy or mad

Slugabed: someone who is described as being lazy

Scalawag: a rascal or scamp

Hobnob: being on familiar terms with someone

Ballyhoo: an uproar

Gobbledygook: writing or speaking that is long and windy and hard to understand

Lesson 23-Prefixes (non-,en-, multi-, post-, trans-)

Nonstop: without end

Enrage: extremely angry

Endanger: putting someone in harm's way

Multicolored: many colors

Multipurpose: a tool that has many uses

Nonfiction: books about real people and real events

Transcontinental: across the continent

Postdate: giving something a later date than the true date

Postscript: a note added to the end of a letter after the signatures

Transplant: moving something from one place to another

Lesson20-Newspaper Jargon:

Dummy: a model of how a page will look

Beat: the area or subject that a reporter covers

Bleeds: when a picture goes to the edge of a page

Headline: the title of a story in the newspaper

Crop: cutting off part of a picture

Masthead: where the newspaper's publishers and editors are listed

Scoop: when a newspaper publishes a big story before anyone else

Typo: a mistake in a printed word caused by hitting the wrong letter key

Stringer: a reporter who is not on the newspaper staff but sends in stories

Widow: a word on a line by itself at the end of a paragraph

Lesson 22- Prefixes (super-, dis-, pre-, semi-, uni-)

Semicircle: half of a circle

Displease: unpleasant or annoy

Dishonest: someone who cheats or lies

Preview: seeing something in advance

Prehistoric: before recorded history

Semiprecious: gemstones; having less value than precious stones

Unicycle: one wheel

Superhuman: someone who shows extra strength or power

Supermarket: a large store that sells food and sometimes other items

Unicorn: an imaginary animal with one horn on its forehead

Lesson 24-Suffixes (-ship, -able, -ous, -hood, -ty)

Kinship: related by blood

Leadership: to take charge

Remarkable: special

Profitable: something that makes money

Joyous: happy

Brotherhood: fellowship

Frailty: weakness

Neighborhood: an area in a community

Envious: to want something that doesn't belong to you

Royalty: someone with status, dignity, power, sovereignty

