

WOW: **W**ord **o**f the **W**eek

There will be a new word every week. The word will also contain the definition so you know what it means.

Get Achievement Points for using the WOW

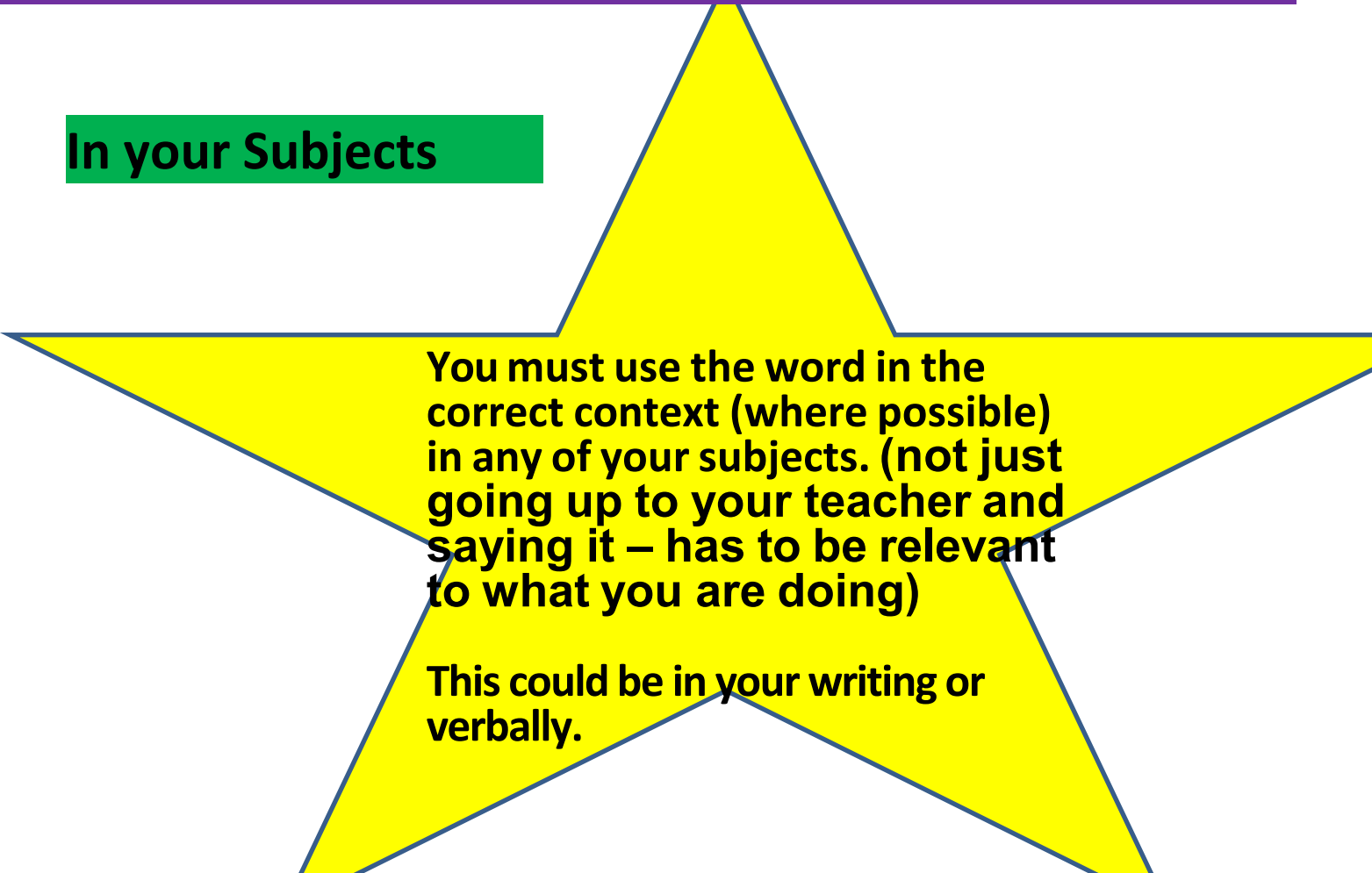
In your Tutor Group



Create sentences for your WOW tutor display that include the word of the week!

Post them!

In your Subjects



You must use the word in the correct context (where possible) in any of your subjects. (not just going up to your teacher and saying it – has to be relevant to what you are doing)

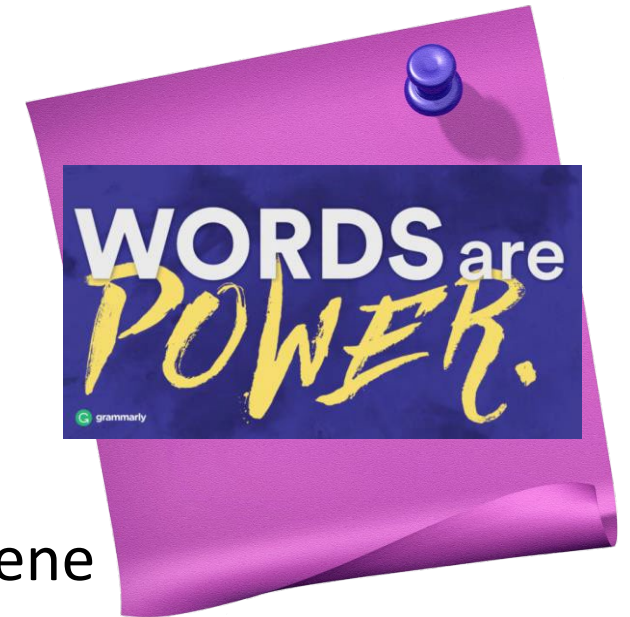
This could be in your writing or verbally.

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Whole School Word of the Week

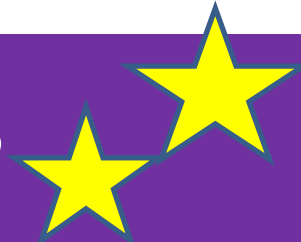
In Tutor time

- Tutor: Read through the Word of the Week Poster.
- Draw attention to and discuss the
 - Type of word and what this means
 - Morphology - structure of the word
 - Word origin
- Play the pronunciation. Ask class to repeat back.
- Act out the word. Create a an action/form a face/freeze scene



- **Tutees to create sentences to include the WOW. Write this on a post it and display on WOW tutor board – An achievement point for each one**
- **Weaker readers may wish to copy the examples and post these**

Work of the Week: Rewards Vocab Wizards



The student from **your year group** with the most '*word of the week Achievement points*' for this term will be awarded with a book token for their conscious effort to widen their vocabulary across the school.

The student with the most '*word of the week Achievement points*' **in the whole school** will receive not only a book token but also cinema vouchers.



Week 1



Zeal

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zeal

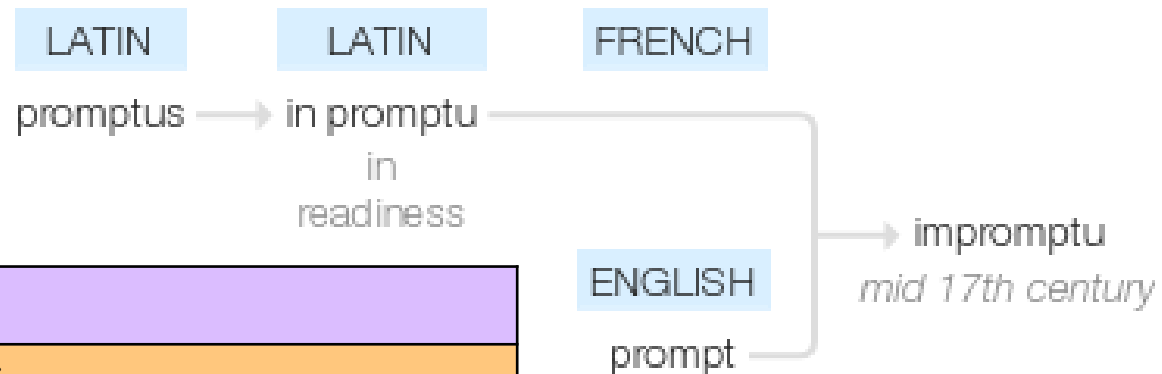
late Middle English

Word Class	<i>Noun</i>
Meaning	Great enthusiasm or eagerness
Examples	1. The athlete's zeal gave him the energy to reach the top of the mountain.
	2. Leona has a true zeal for journalism.
	3. Mark went about the task with the zeal of an enthusiast.
Synonyms for this word	Ardour Passion Fervour Determination

Week 2



Impromptu



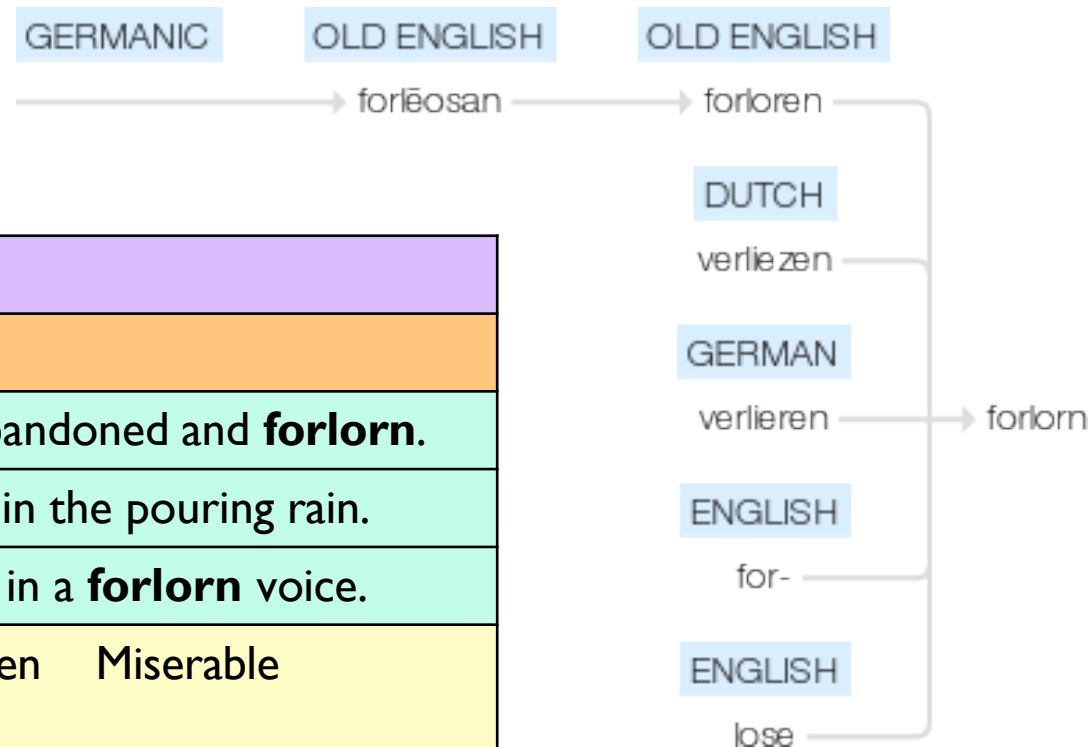
Word Class	Adjective
Meaning	Done without any rehearsal or preparation
Examples	1. The singer was more than willing to perform an impromptu song at his friend's concert.
	2. I'm not sure how many people will be able to attend the impromptu party.
	3. She had not prepared an acceptance speech; nor had she the confidence to make an impromptu speech.
Synonyms for this word	Unrehearsed Improvised Spontaneous Unprepared

Week 3



Forlorn

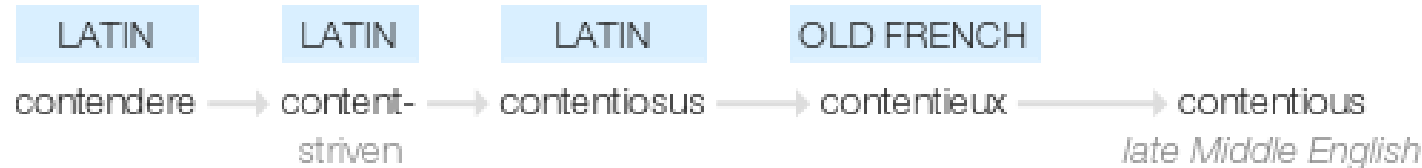
Word Class	Adjective
Meaning	Alone and unhappy
Examples	1. From a distance, the cottage looked abandoned and forlorn .
	2. She looked so forlorn , standing there in the pouring rain.
	3. Alfie sat with a bowed head and spoke in a forlorn voice.
Synonyms for this word	Sad Regretful Sorrowful Heartbroken Miserable



Week 4



Contentious

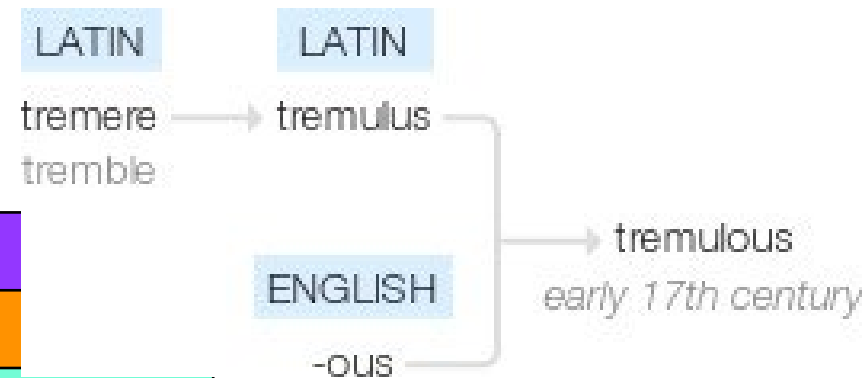


Word Class	Adjective
Meaning	Causing or likely to cause an argument
Examples	1. The author wrote a contentious novel which caused a great deal of unrest.
	2. I try to avoid contentious topics of conversation which might lead to arguments.
	3. While my grandfather was adored by many people, quite a few others found him to be a contentious man.
Synonyms for this word	Argumentative Factious Antagonistic Bickering

Week 5



Tremulous



Word Class	Adjective
Meaning	Trembling from nervousness or weakness
Examples	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Because her hands are too tremulous to hold a spoon steady, she has to drink soup from a cup.2. Despite his efforts to stay in control of his emotions, his smile was tremulous as he waited to meet his long-lost brother.3. After letting go of her mother's hands, the baby took a few tremulous steps before falling to the floor.
Synonyms for this word	Shaky Unsteady Nervous Weak Wavering

Week 6



Auspicious

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auspice

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→ auspicious
late 16th century

Word Class	Adjective
Meaning	Fortunate or favourable
Examples	<p>1. His brilliant acceptance speech was an auspicious start to his political career.</p> <p>2. After winning the swimming portion of the triathlon, the athlete seemed will on her way to having an auspicious Olympic debut.</p> <p>3. As Sarah looked up at the darkening clouds, she realized today was not going to be auspicious for a picnic.</p>
Synonyms for this word	Promising Optimistic Hopeful Well-timed Lucky

Week 7



Acquire



Word Class	<i>Verb</i>
Meaning	To get or be given something
Examples	1. He has acquired great knowledge of medicine.
	2. We acquired the property when our uncle passed away.
	3. Emily acquired ClassCharts points due to her good behaviour.
Synonyms for this word	Obtain Receive Gain Earn Win

Week 8



Fractious

Word Class	<i>Adjective</i>
Meaning	Irritable or bad-tempered
Examples	1. Children often get fractious and tearful when tired.
	2. The six fractious republics are demanding autonomy.
	3. The fractious dog would not obey its owner's commands.
Synonyms for this word	Grumpy Peevish Petulant Unruly Disobedient

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fraction

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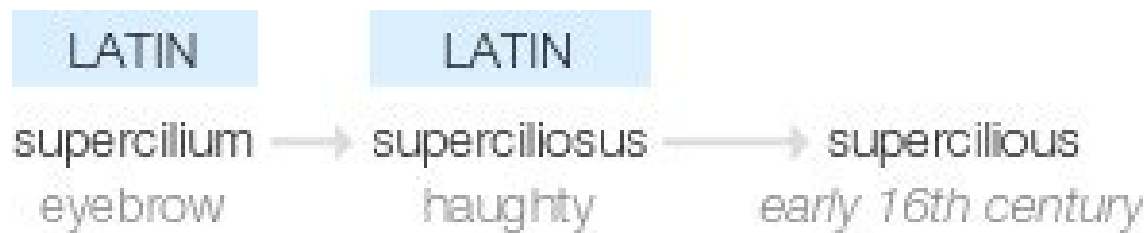
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factious

→ fractious
late 17th century

Week 9



Supercilious



Word Class	<i>Adjective</i>
Meaning	Displaying arrogant pride, scorn, or indifference
Examples	1. It is better to be humble and succeed than to be supercilious and fail.
	2. His mother eyed my clothes with a supercilious air.
	3.
Synonyms for this word	Arrogant Disdainful Haughty Proud Pompous

Week 10



Periphery

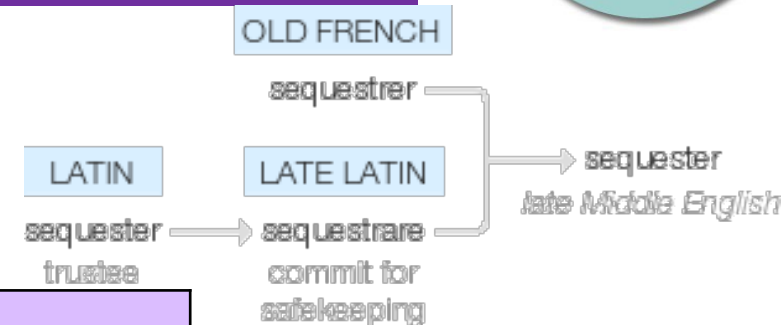


Word Class	<i>Noun</i>
Meaning	The outer edge of an area
Examples	1. Geographically, the UK is on the periphery of Europe.
	2. Houses have been built on the periphery of the factory site.
	3. He sensed that there was something just beyond the periphery of his vision.
Synonyms for this word	Edge Boundary Perimeter Outskirts Verge

Week 11



Sequestered



Word Class	Adjective
Meaning	1. Secluded 2. Kept isolated or apart
Examples	1. I found a sequestered spot in the park and lay down with my book. 2. The jury was sequestered in a local hotel until a verdict was reached. 3. He needed a sequestered place to write his novels.
Synonyms for this word	Quiet Private Peaceful Isolated