

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

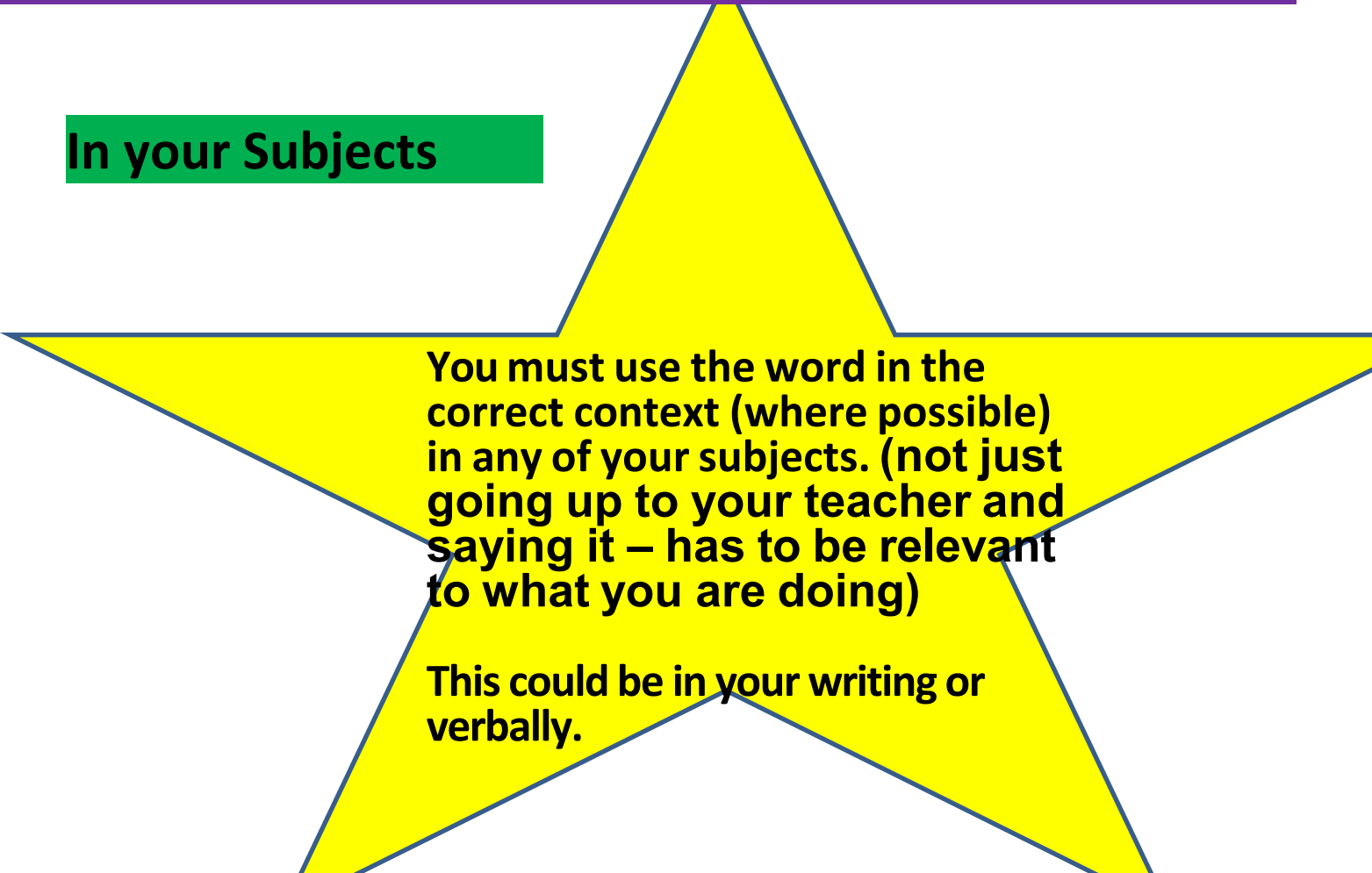
In your Tutor Group



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)

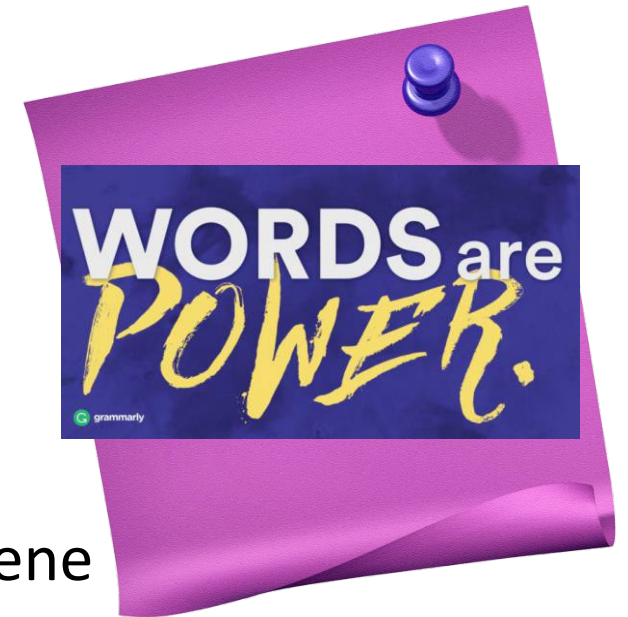
This could be in your writing or verbally.

WOW

Whole School Word of the Week

In Tutor time

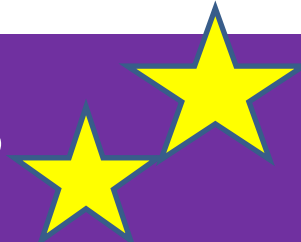
- Tutor: Read through the Word of the Week Poster.
- Draw attention to and discuss the
 - Type of word and what this means
 - Morphology - structure of the word
 - Word origin
- Play the pronunciation. Ask class to repeat back.
- Act out the word. Create a an action/form a face/freeze scene



- **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



Arduous

Morphology – structure of words

Ardu

'difficult'

ous

'full of'



Word Class	<i>Adjective</i>
Meaning	Difficult, needing a lot of effort and energy
Examples	1. Playing the piano may seem arduous at first, but it gets easier with practice.
	2. We reached the camp after an arduous two-day trek across the mountains.
	3. Mastering a foreign language is an arduous challenge.
Synonyms for this word	Hard Tough Laborious Gruelling Strenuous



'ous' – 'full of'

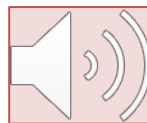
Can you think of any other words that end in 'ous'?
What do these words mean?

Week 2



Innovative

Morphology – structure of words
Suffix: IVE ‘tending to’ ‘being’ ‘doing’



Word Class	Adjective
Meaning	Using new methods or ideas
Examples	1. She was an imaginative and innovative manager.
	2. There will be a prize for the most innovative design.
	3. The company manufactures a range of innovative products.
Synonyms for this word	New Original Inventive Groundbreaking



‘ive’ – ‘being’
IVE changes a noun into an adjective
Eg. Action to Active

Can you think of any other words that end in ‘ive’?

Week 3



Swathe

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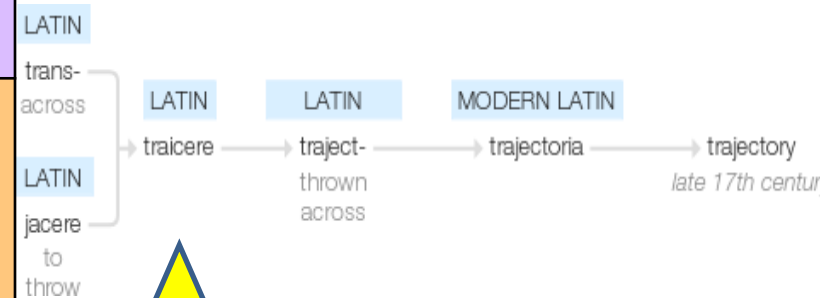
Word Class	<i>Noun/Verb</i>
Meaning	1. A long strip of land; a large piece or area of something; 2. To wrap around or cover with cloth
Examples	1. Sadly, huge swathes of rainforest are being cleared for farming and mining.
	2. These people represent a wide swathe of public opinion.
	3. He came out of the hospital swathed in bandages.
Synonyms for this word	Part/Piece Wrap Envelop Bandage

Week 4



Trajectory

Word Class	<i>Noun</i>
Meaning	<p>1. <i>Physics</i>: The curved path of an object that has been fired, hit or thrown into the air;</p> <p>2. <i>Geometry</i>: A curve or surface cutting a family of curves or surfaces at a constant angle;</p> <p>3. A path, progression, or line of development</p>
Examples	<p>1. The missile deflected from its trajectory.</p> <p>2. Try to determine the trajectory of the ball as it flies through the air.</p> <p>3. John's behavior seems to be on a downward trajectory.</p>
Synonyms for this word	Path Route Course Track Orbit



Suffix: 'ory' – indicating a place Or 'relating to'

Eg. Crematory – a place where bodies are cremated

Can you think of any others?

Week 5



Uncanny



Word Class	Adjective
Meaning	Strange and difficult to explain
Examples	1. I had an uncanny feeling I was being watched.
	2. They say dogs have an uncanny way of sensing bad people.
	3. Barb's uncanny resemblance to my Auntie Jane is scary.
Synonyms for this word	Weird Extraordinary Eerie Mysterious

Week 6



Scour

MIDDLE ENGLISH

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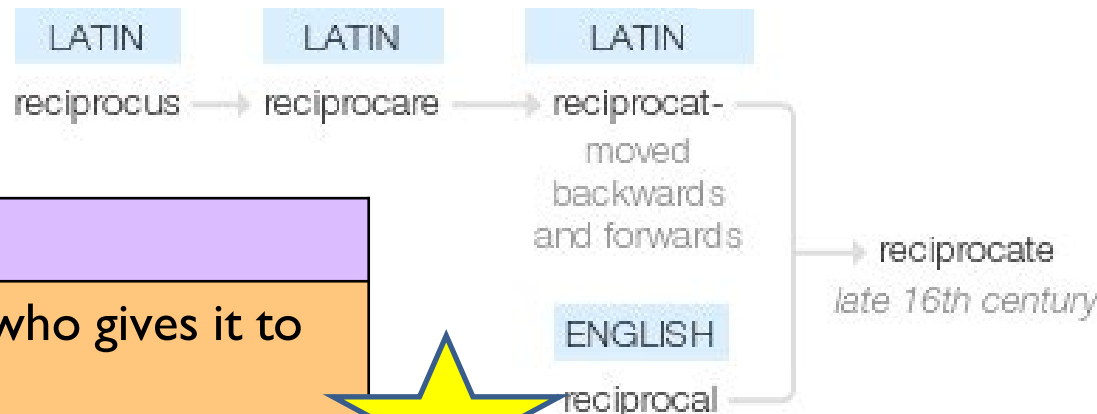
late Middle English

Word Class	Verb
Meaning	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. To clean something by rubbing its surface hard with a rough or abrasive material;2. To search a place or thing carefully and thoroughly
Examples	1. I had to scour out the pans.
	2. The police are scouring the area for the missing child.
	3. The rush of water has scoured away the topsoil.
Synonyms for this word	Scrub Rub Abrade Comb Search

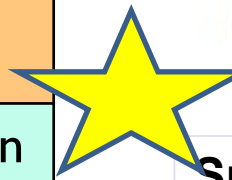
Week 7



Reciprocate



Word Class	Verb
Meaning	To return a feeling or gesture to someone who gives it to you; to do the same thing in return
Examples	<p>1. They wanted to reciprocate the kindness that had been shown to them.</p> <p>2. Sadly, my feelings for her were not reciprocated.</p> <p>3. I helped Juan with his English and he reciprocated by correcting my Spanish.</p>
Synonyms for this word	Repay Interchange Respond Return



Suffix: 'ate' – 'showing'

Eg. Passionate
Passion ATE – showing
passion.

Can you think of any other words that end in 'ate'?
What do these words mean?

Week 8



Poignant



Word Class	Adjective
Meaning	Causing sadness and strong feelings
Examples	1. Water pollution is a poignant example of how little people care about our environment.
	2. The book's ending was poignant and caused me to reflect.
	3. As a photographer, I consider it my job to take poignant pictures of nature so that people will value the planet.
Synonyms for this word	Emotional Sentimental Passionate Touching

Week 9



Tremor

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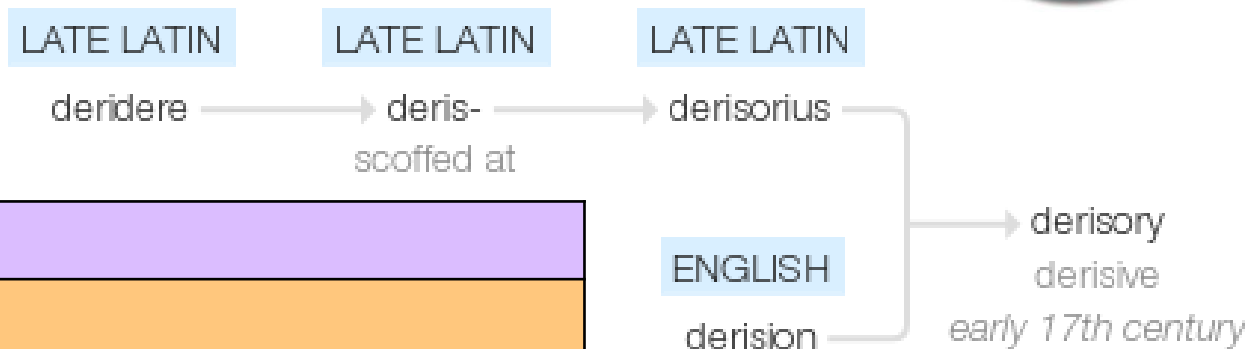
tremor
early 17th century

Word Class	<i>Noun</i>
Meaning	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. A shaking or trembling movement2. A slight earthquake
Examples	1. There are still mild tremors being felt in the aftermath of the main earthquake.
	2. Some patients develop a tremor in their upper limbs.
	3. There was a hint of a tremor in her voice.
Synonyms for this word	Shaking Trembling Twitch Shock Earthquake

Week 10



Derisory



Word Class	<i>Adjective</i>
Meaning	<ol style="list-style-type: none">Scornful; expressing contemptSo small that it is ridiculous
Examples	1. Millions of savers have money in deposit accounts that pay derisory rates of interest.
	2. He later sold it to the firm on derisory terms, a decision he later regretted.
	3. The workers appealed to their union about their derisory pay offer.
Synonyms for this word	Insufficient Small Inadequate Nominal

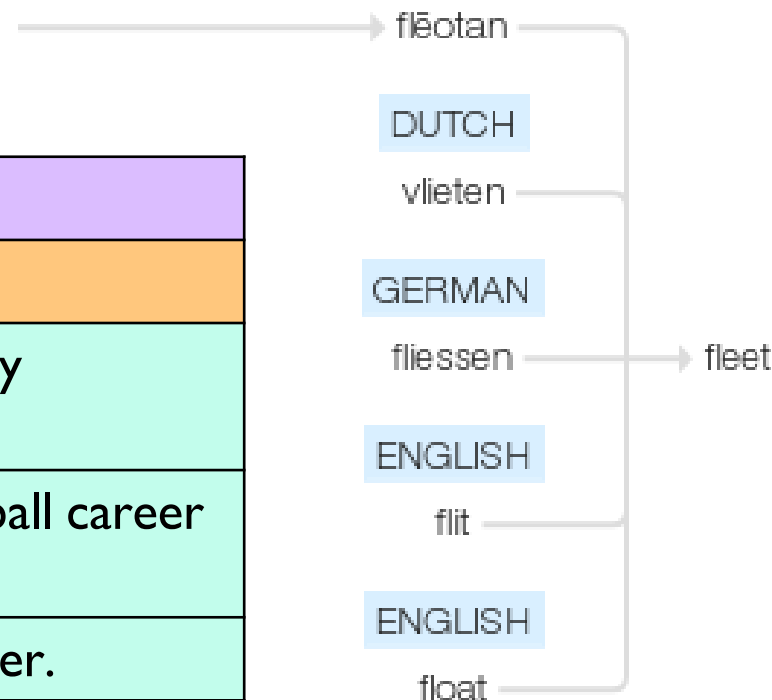
Week 11



Fleeting

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OLD ENGLISH



Word Class	<i>Adjective</i>
Meaning	Passing quickly; very brief
Examples	1. He had a fleeting moment of panic but quickly recovered.
	2. A major injury turned Henry's successful football career into a fleeting one.
	3. They only caught a fleeting glimpse of the driver.
Synonyms for this word	Brief Momentary Sudden Transient Fading

Week 12



Perusal

Word Class	<i>Noun</i>
Meaning	To read something carefully
Examples	1. The agreement was signed after careful perusal .
	2. Archives, libraries and museums have lots of information and documents available for perusal .
	3. After a quick perusal of the fridge, Charlie decided to make a cheese sandwich.
Synonyms for this word	Reading Scrutiny Inspection Review

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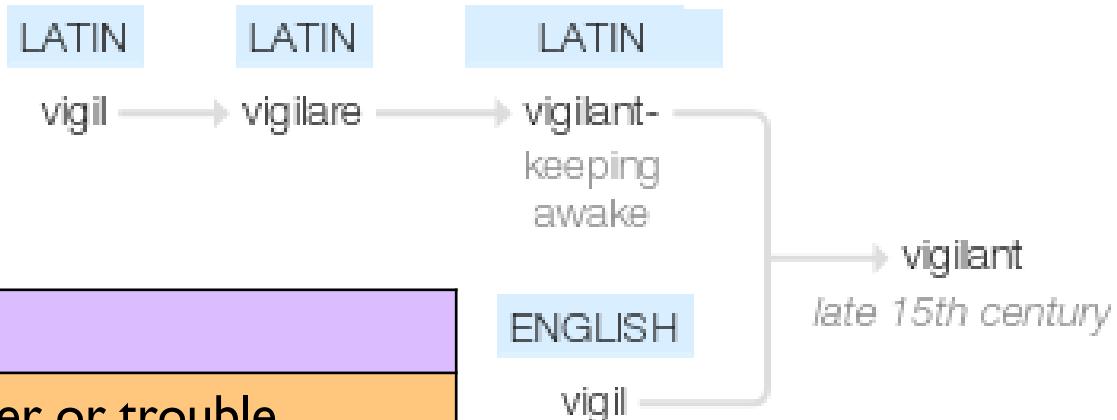
use

→ peruse
use up, wear
out
late 15th century

Week 13



Vigilant



Word Class	Adjective
Meaning	Very careful to notice any signs of danger or trouble
Examples	1. The burglar was spotted by vigilant neighbours.
	2. A pilot must remain vigilant at all times.
	3. The Prime Minister warned the public to be vigilant and report anything suspicious.
Synonyms for this word	Alert Watchful Cautious