

WordMasters BLUE - Fall 2007 - Session 1 - Grade 4

<b>Word</b>	Short definition of the word* sample sentence using the word (see also: connected WordMaster words)
adrift	floating free, aimless, wandering The boat was <b>adrift</b> since there was no wind for the sails and the motor was broken. (see also: astray, baffle, perplex)
astray	off course, off track, off the path, lost & wandering They were paying attention to the fall colors, went <b>astray</b> , and became completely lost. (see also: drift, baffle, perplex)
baffle	confuse, mystify He was <b>baffled</b> by most of the questions on the test. (see also: drift, perplex, astray, entangle)
blunder	mistake, goof, error His biggest <b>blunder</b> was never telling her he wanted to be friends with her. (see also: glitch, jam, trudge, entangle)
cloudburst	sudden hard rain, downpour The lightening started and the drizzle became a <b>cloudburst</b> .
console	cheer up, comfort, calm, sooth The only one who could <b>console</b> her was her puppy dog.
dazed	confused, shocked, dizzy We knew he was baffled by the <b>dazed</b> look on his face. (see also: fatigue, mute, hardy, numb)
entangle	to trap, snare, caught-up in a trap Each lie is another blunder that gets you more <b>entangled</b> in deceit. (see also: blunder, glitch, trudge, entangle)
fatigue	weak, tired, exhausted Their blunder turned the walk into a six hour hike ending with total <b>fatigue</b> and numb hands and toes. (see also: mute, hardy, dazed, numb)

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finicky	fussy, picky, choosy She was so <b>finicky</b> about what to eat that she never had a balanced, nutritious meal.
glitch	minor problem, small malfunction There was a <b>glitch</b> in the projector that made the movie blurry and jumpy. (see also: blunder, jam, trudge)
guide	show how, direct, steer, lead The most popular book this year is the <b>guide</b> to dealing with baffling social problems.
gust	sudden breeze, puff of wind The thunderstorm had strong <b>gusts</b> and a cloudburst.
hardy	tough, strong, a plant that can survive winter The northern Native American tribes were a resourceful and <b>hardy</b> people. (see also: fatigue, mute, dazed, numb)
idle	inactive, at rest, unused Too much <b>idle</b> time leads to boredom.
jam	1) in trouble, in a tight spot, having difficulty After being adrift for days and his food running low, he knew he was in a real <b>jam</b> . (see also: blunder, glitch, trudge, entangle) 2) pack together, cram into a small space When she packed for camp, she had to <b>jam</b> everything into one small bag. 3) a sweet preserved fruit spread Her favorite sandwich was peanut butter and <b>jam</b> .
mute	1) silent, unable to speak (fatigue, hardy, dazed, numb) She was so baffled and perplexed that she became temporarily <b>mute</b> . 2) to make something silent "Alexander, please press the TV <b>mute</b> button while I'm on the phone."

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numb	without feeling, insensitive Their blunder turned the walk into a six hour hike ending with total fatigue and <b>numb</b> hands and toes. (see also: fatigue, mute, hardy, dazed)
perch	to rest on, land on, roost The birds <b>perched</b> on the wood <b>perch</b> and the plastic <b>perch</b> , but not the metal <b>perch</b> .
perplex	confuse, confound, baffle, stymie For everything that can <b>perplex</b> you, someone has written a guide book to help you understand. (see also: baffle, adrift, astray, entangle)
pride	self importance, self esteem It is good to have <b>pride</b> in your work, but don't over-do it and become uppity and a braggart. (see also: strut, uppity)
strut	1) walk with pride, swagger, march She was mute about her grade, but her <b>strut</b> showed she got an A plus on the test. (see also: pride, uppity) 2) a support bar, usually metal The wheel <b>strut</b> broke and the tire fell off.
trudge	difficult walk, like through mud or snow The surprise snow storm meant he had to <b>trudge</b> home instead of riding his bike. (see also: blunder, jam, glitch)
uppity	arrogant, vain, full of pride, bragging It is good to have pride in your work, but don't over-do it and become <b>uppity</b> and a braggart. (see also: pride, strut)
whiff	smell, trace They were perplexed by not finding fire after the <b>whiff</b> of smoke.

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