



Daily Skill Building

VOCABULARY

An open & go approach
Volume A

A 36-week vocabulary curriculum for
first grade students



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INTRODUCTION

Daily Skill Building: Vocabulary is a complete, 36-week vocabulary curriculum for first grade students. This simple, straight-forward approach to vocabulary building is easy to use and encourages independent study. With busy homeschooling moms in mind, this curriculum was created as an “open-and-go” resource (without the need for a teacher's guide.)

The 36-week format is designed to be flexible — meaning you can assign more than one word a day if you wish to complete it sooner.

Each week presents four new words (one per day) with a weekly review on day five. Your student will be asked to define the new word using a dictionary, use it in a sentence, and list synonyms and antonyms.

Every 4th week includes an additional review using the most recent 16 words studied plus a short writing assignment.

For your convenience, we include a glossary of words by week and order studied. Students may use either the glossary for their daily assignments or a dictionary.

Ideas for Vocabulary Review:

- Study the glossary to enhance retention
- Incorporate copywork and dictation
- Quizzes and tests using glossary
- Writing Assignments using a specified number of words from each week's lesson

Note: Dictionaries will often have multiple definitions of words. When compiling our glossary, we chose the definition that provides the best fit for each word for this learning level.

For **FREE** vocabulary sheets to enhance Daily Skill Building: Vocabulary, [click here](#).

Components include: Vocabulary Definition Lists, Sentences Building, Graphic Organizers, Word Maps, & More!

Vocabulary List

Use a dictionary or glossary to define your vocabulary words below.

Vocabulary Word	Definition
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Vocabulary List

Use a dictionary or glossary to define your vocabulary words below.

Vocabulary Word	Sentence
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Vocabulary Word Order

Write your vocabulary words in alphabetical order.

A B C D

Vocabulary Graphic Organizer

Write your vocabulary word on the line below and then draw a picture of each of your vocabulary words below.

Vocabulary Concept Map

Write your vocabulary then write or draw in synonyms and antonyms of the word in the space below.

Vocabulary Word

Synonyms

Antonyms

Vocabulary Word Map

Word:

An illustration of my word:

My word in a sentence:

Definition:

A synonym for my word:

An antonym for my word:

Part of speech:



Vocabulary Word of the Day

drowsy

Define **drowsy**:

Use **drowsy** in a sentence:

What are 3 synonyms of **drowsy**?

A synonym is a word with a similar meaning.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

What are 3 antonyms of **drowsy**?

Antonym means opposite.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

Did you know the meaning of this word before today? Yes | No



Vocabulary Word of the Day

glad

Define **glad**:

Use **glad** in a sentence:

What are 3 synonyms of **glad**?

A synonym is a word with a similar meaning.

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____

What are 3 antonyms of **glad**?

Antonym means opposite.

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____

Did you know the meaning of this word before today? Yes | No



Vocabulary Word of the Day

atmosphere

Define **atmosphere**:

Use **atmosphere** in a sentence:

What are 3 synonyms of **atmosphere**?

A synonym is a word with a similar meaning.

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____

What are 3 antonyms of **atmosphere**?

Antonym means opposite.

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____

Did you know the meaning of this word before today? Yes | No



Vocabulary Word of the Day

grip

Define **grip**:

Use **grip** in a sentence:

What are 3 synonyms of **grip**?

A synonym is a word with a similar meaning.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

What are 3 antonyms of **grip**?

Antonym means opposite.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

Did you know the meaning of this word before today? Yes | No



REVIEW

This week you have learned 4 new words, along with some of their synonyms and antonyms. Let's review these new words.

drowsy	glad	atmosphere	grip
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Using the word bank above, match the words with their definitions.

_____ pleased; delighted; happy

_____ the layer of gases surrounding a planet

_____ a firm hold or tight grasp

_____ sleepy

Use at least 2 of the words in **one** sentence. Be sure to use proper punctuation and capitalization.



Vocabulary Word of the Day

batch

Define **batch**:

Use **batch** in a sentence:

What are 3 synonyms of **batch**?

A synonym is a word with a similar meaning.

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____

What are 3 antonyms of **batch**?

Antonym means opposite.

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____

Did you know the meaning of this word before today? Yes | No



Vocabulary Word of the Day

decorate

Define **decorate**:

Use **decorate** in a sentence:

What are 3 synonyms of **decorate**?

A synonym is a word with a similar meaning.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

What are 3 antonyms of **decorate**?

Antonym means opposite.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

Did you know the meaning of this word before today? Yes | No



Vocabulary Word of the Day

rough

Define **rough**:

Use **rough** in a sentence:

What are 3 synonyms of **rough**?

A synonym is a word with a similar meaning.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

What are 3 antonyms of **rough**?

Antonym means opposite.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

Did you know the meaning of this word before today? Yes | No



Vocabulary Word of the Day

sly

Define **sly**:

Use **sly** in a sentence:

What are 3 synonyms of **sly**?

A synonym is a word with a similar meaning.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

What are 3 antonyms of **sly**?

Antonym means opposite.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

Did you know the meaning of this word before today? Yes | No



REVIEW

This week you have learned 4 new words, along with some of their synonyms and antonyms. Let's review these new words.

batch	decorate	rough	sly
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Using the word bank above, match the words with their definitions.

- _____ coarse; sharp or harsh; violent
- _____ sneaky or cunning
- _____ to make more attractive; embellish
- _____ a group or collection produced at the same time

Use at least 2 of the words in **one** sentence. Be sure to use proper punctuation and capitalization.



Vocabulary Word of the Day

rescue

Define **rescue**:

Use **rescue** in a sentence:

What are 3 synonyms of **rescue**?

A synonym is a word with a similar meaning.

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____

What are 3 antonyms of **rescue**?

Antonym means opposite.

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____

Did you know the meaning of this word before today? Yes | No



Vocabulary Word of the Day

blink

Define **blink**:

Use **blink** in a sentence:

What are 3 synonyms of **blink**?

A synonym is a word with a similar meaning.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

What are 3 antonyms of **blink**?

Antonym means opposite.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

Did you know the meaning of this word before today? Yes | No



Vocabulary Word of the Day

seed

Define **seed**:

Use **seed** in a sentence:

What are 3 synonyms of **seed**?

A synonym is a word with a similar meaning.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

What are 3 antonyms of **seed**?

Antonym means opposite.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

Did you know the meaning of this word before today? Yes | No



Vocabulary Word of the Day

mountain

Define **mountain**:

Use **mountain** in a sentence:

What are 3 synonyms of **mountain**?

A synonym is a word with a similar meaning.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

What are 3 antonyms of **mountain**?

Antonym means opposite.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

Did you know the meaning of this word before today? Yes | No



REVIEW

This week you have learned 4 new words, along with some of their synonyms and antonyms. Let's review these new words.

rescue	blink	seed	mountain
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Using the word bank above, match the words with their definitions.

- _____ save from danger
- _____ the part of a plant from which a new plant can grow
- _____ large landform or peak that is higher than the surrounding area
- _____ to open and shut the eyes quickly

Use at least 2 of the words in **one** sentence. Be sure to use proper punctuation and capitalization.



Vocabulary Word of the Day

heap

Define **heap**:

Use **heap** in a sentence:

What are 3 synonyms of **heap**?

A synonym is a word with a similar meaning.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

What are 3 antonyms of **heap**?

Antonym means opposite.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

Did you know the meaning of this word before today? Yes | No



Vocabulary Word of the Day

denied

Define **denied**:

Use **denied** in a sentence:

What are 3 synonyms of **denied**?

A synonym is a word with a similar meaning.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

What are 3 antonyms of **denied**?

Antonym means opposite.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

Did you know the meaning of this word before today? Yes | No



Vocabulary Word of the Day

filthy

Define **filthy**:

Use **filthy** in a sentence:

What are 3 synonyms of **filthy**?

A synonym is a word with a similar meaning.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

What are 3 antonyms of **filthy**?

Antonym means opposite.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

Did you know the meaning of this word before today? Yes | No



Vocabulary Word of the Day

bundle

Define **bundle**:

Use **bundle** in a sentence:

What are 3 synonyms of **bundle**?

A synonym is a word with a similar meaning.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

What are 3 antonyms of **bundle**?

Antonym means opposite.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

Did you know the meaning of this word before today? Yes | No



REVIEW

This week you have learned 4 new words, along with some of their synonyms and antonyms. Let's review these new words.

heap	denied	filthy	bundle
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Using the word bank above, match the words with their definitions.

- _____ to withhold something
- _____ dirty
- _____ a collection of things grouped or wrapped together
- _____ an untidy pile

Use at least 2 of the words in **one** sentence. Be sure to use proper punctuation and capitalization.



Unit Review • Weeks 1-4

You have worked on 16 new words and it is time to put them into action. Using your vocabulary words from the previous 4 weeks, write 2 paragraphs or more using at least 8 of your vocabulary words. If you need more space, you can use notebook paper.

Be sure to use proper sentence structure, punctuation, and capitalization.

drowsy	glad	atmosphere	grip
batch	decorate	rough	sly
rescue	blink	seed	mountain
heap	denied	filthy	bundle

Handwriting practice lines consisting of multiple sets of solid top and bottom lines with a dashed midline.



GLOSSARY

Glossary Terms are listed out by week. Students may use the glossary for their daily assignments or a dictionary.

IDEAS FOR REVIEW:

- Study the glossary for retention
- Copywork and dictation
- Quizzes and tests using glossary
- Writing Assignments using a specified number of words from each week

NOTE: Dictionaries will often have multiple definitions of words. We chose the best fit for each word for this level when compiling the glossary.



GLOSSARY

WEEK 1

drowsy:	sleepy
glad:	pleased; delighted; happy
atmosphere:	the layer of gases surrounding a planet
grip:	a firm hold or tight grasp

WEEK 2

batch:	a group or collection produced at the same time
decorate:	to make more attractive; embellish
rough:	coarse; sharp or harsh; violent
sly:	sneaky or cunning

WEEK 3

rescue:	save from danger
blink:	to open and shut the eyes quickly
seed:	the part of a plant from which a new plant can grow
mountain:	large landform or peak that is higher than the surrounding area

WEEK 4

heap:	an untidy pile
denied:	to withhold something
filthy:	dirty
bundle:	a collection of things grouped or wrapped together