

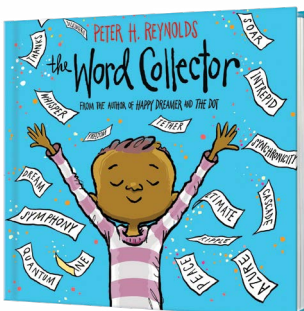


## NATIONAL LEARN A WORD DAY Classroom Activity

In honor of National Learn a Word Day on October 16, try this vocabulary-expanding activity to help your students discover the power of words.

Here's what to do:

- Gather supplies:
  - Index cards
  - Yarn
  - Clothespins
  - Books and magazines
  - Colored pencils or markers
- Have your students browse through books and magazines for unfamiliar words that stand out to them.
- Let them look up the definitions of the unfamiliar words and then choose a favorite one.
- Each student should write their chosen word on the front of an index card and its definition on the back.
- Pin up the cards using yarn and clothespins and hang them along the wall of the classroom to create a chain of newly learned words.
- Throughout the week, have students take turns using their new word in a sentence.



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