

IMPORTANT EVENT DAY MATERIALS

Dear Teacher,

Thank you for registering your class for the 2012 WordGirl™ Definition Competition live webcast!

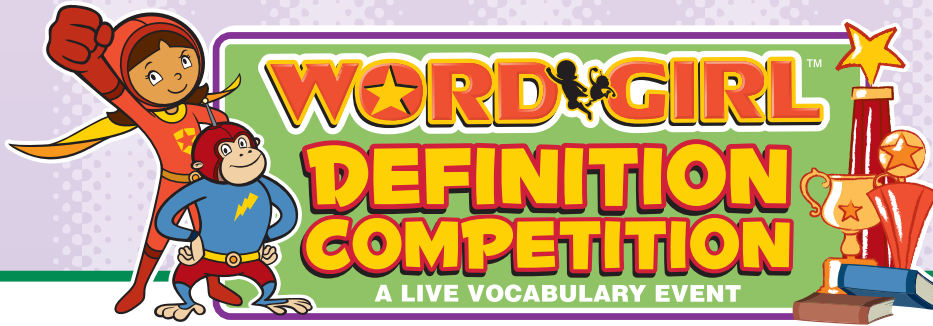
Attached you will find the questions that will be asked during the 30-minute live webcast. The questions will also appear on screen, but it will be easier for each of your students to participate if they have these activity sheets in front of them.

There are four reproducible sheets attached, one for each round of the webcast. Please make enough copies for all students participating. But please **do not pass these out until the webcast begins!**

Please join the webcast a few minutes before the start time as it will begin promptly at 1:00 PM ET/ 10:00AM PT.

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ROUND #1

name _____

DIRECTIONS: WordGirl often needs to correct her enemies' vocabulary. Watch the clips to learn about each villain and read the examples below of how they often misuse words and language. Correct each villain's word and/or language usage by circling the correct answer.

1. *"I've always wanted to have my own business selling sandwiches out of a truck. But I didn't just want for it to happen, I felt something more... Something deeper. Like, oh, what's the word...?"*

What do you think Chuck was trying to say?

- A. Chuck yields to have his own sandwich business.
- B. Chuck yearns to have his own sandwich business.
- C. Chuck yelps to have his own sandwich business.

2. *"The Whammer whams ice cream. Bring it wham or the Whammer will wham the whole shop"*

What do you think the Whammer was trying to say?

- A. The Whammer despises ice cream, so he's going to avoid the ice cream shop.
- B. The Whammer eats ice cream every day. When you bring him ice cream, it makes the Whammer stronger.
- C. The Whammer loves ice cream. Bring it now or the Whammer will destroy the whole shop.

3. *In an epic showdown with WordGirl, Miss Power says: "You're too small. You're too weak. You don't have the guts to defeat me!"*

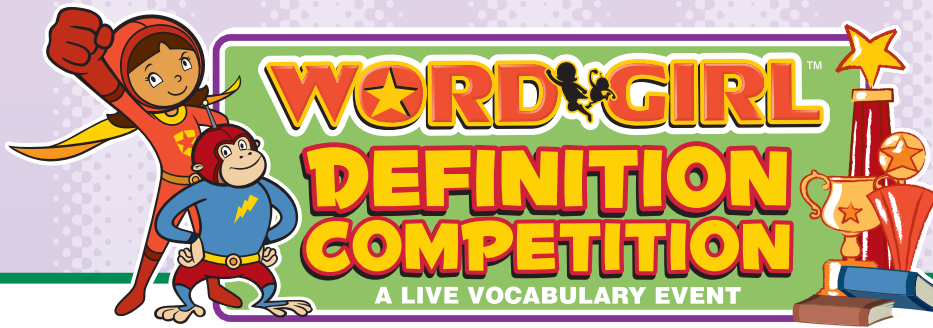
What words do you think WordGirl used to defeat Miss Power?

- A. I'll get bigger. I'll get stronger. You don't have any power over me. I will be triumphant!
- B. You're right, I am small and weak. I can never defeat you.
- C. I could never defeat such a powerful bully.



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ROUND #2

name _____

DIRECTIONS: Circle the word that matches the definition provided.

1. A word that means *"a plan to trick people."*
A. Fade B. Ruse C. Explore
2. A word to describe *"when you pay so much attention to something that you don't notice anything else."*
A. Captivated B. Rumble C. Giddy
3. A word that means *"a plan or a way of doing something."*
A. Revolution B. Community C. Strategy
4. A word that means *"to be unsure if you believe something."*
A. Steady B. Dubious C. Anxious
5. A word that means *"a laugh that sounds harsh or evil."*
A. Farewell B. Hurdle C. Cackle
6. An action word that means *"to distribute or share."*
A. Rally B. Divvy C. Strain
7. A word that describes when someone is *"misbehaving loudly and in a disorderly way."*
A. Sputtering B. Bewildering C. Rowdy
8. An action word that means *"to officially announce something."*
A. Declare B. Preserve C. Mention
9. An action word that means *"to win, to overcome in a contest or battle."*
A. Defeat B. Persuade C. Articulate
10. A word that means *"full of energy."*
A. Feisty B. Lethargic C. Weary



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ROUND #3

name _____

DIRECTIONS: Watch the clips from WordGirl for clues to the meaning of the following words. Write the definition for the word on the line provided.

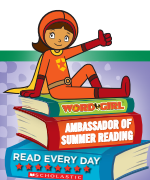
1. Comfort _____

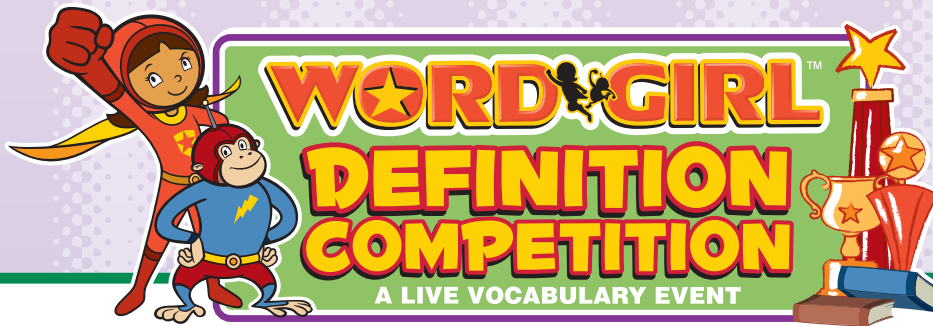
2. Dazzling _____

3. Clench _____

4. Arrest _____

5. Sweltering _____





BONUS ROUND

name _____

DIRECTIONS: WordGirl likes to read because reading isn't only fun, it helps build vocabulary. In this bonus round, watch as Captain Huggy Face acts out a famous book title or series and listen as WordGirl provides clues. Circle the book title or series that best matches the description.

1. A frightful book series filled with ghosts, ghouls and spine-tingling thrills.

Is it:

- A. Animorphs
- B. Goosebumps
- C. Inkheart

2. A book about food that involves rainy weather.

Is it:

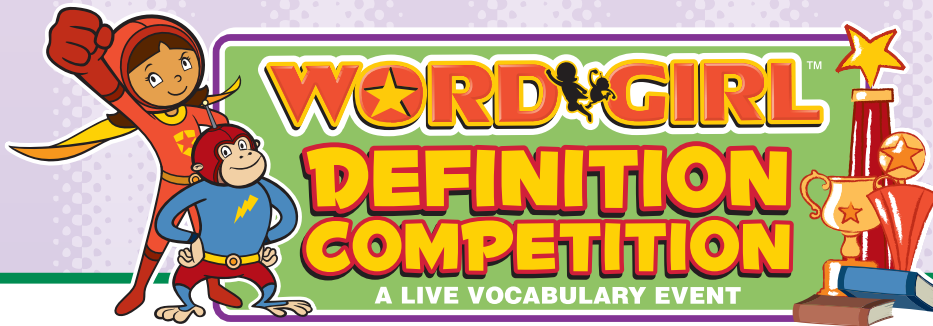
- A. Dear Dumb Diary
- B. Captain Underpants
- C. Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs

3. A mystery book involving puzzles.

Is it:

- A. How I Survived Middle School
- B. Jigsaw Jones
- C. The Emerald Atlas





The WordGirl Definition Competition marks the official kickoff of the Scholastic Summer Challenge! As the official Ambassador of Summer Reading, WordGirl wants students to get excited about books and reading because it helps them learn lots of new words!

The *Scholastic Summer Challenge* is a free summer reading program dedicated to stopping the “Summer Slide” and encouraging kids to read every day and all summer long.

Now in its sixth year, the Summer Challenge invites kids to log their minutes spent reading as they *Read for the World Record*. The 20 schools with the most minutes logged will receive recognition in the *2013 Scholastic Book of World Records*.

Kids can also participate in weekly challenges, earn digital rewards, enter sweepstakes to win fabulous prizes, find ideas for their next book to read, and more.

Register your students for the Scholastic Summer Challenge TODAY for a chance to win a classroom library, a \$250 gift certificate to the Teacher Store and a one year subscription to *Administrator and Instructor Magazine*!

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