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Your Definition	Characteristics
Dictionary Definition	
Examples	Illustration
Non Examples	
Story Sentence Page # _____	Your Sentence

Word: _____

Vocabulary Webs

A vocabulary web is used to analyze a word and then show that you can construct new meanings and use for it. It is done in this order:

1. Put your first and last name, teacher name, and the date at the top.
2. At the bottom, write the word and the page in the story where the word is found.
3. At the bottom, write the sentence from the story (or the part of the sentence if it's long) that contains the word.
4. At the top, use context clues and prior knowledge to write your own definition of the word. It can be done as a list.
5. Next, look the word up in the dictionary, record the definition (the one that fits with the story) and the part of speech.
6. The next three boxes—Characteristics, Examples and Non Examples—are done at the same time. This is the part of the vocabulary web that really shows you understand the meaning of the word and can apply it to new situations. You record both examples and non examples of this word, as well as some general characteristics. For example, if the word was "*party*" you might write:

Characteristics: loud, lots of people, celebration, happy, etc.

Examples: birthday party, anniversary, holiday celebration, moving party, etc.

Non-examples: church service, school day, etc.

7. Illustrate the word and it's meaning in the story.
8. Lastly, you use the word in a new sentence that shows you know the meaning of the word. For example, for *party* you might write: "The bon voyage party was a loud celebration to say good-bye to our parents, who were going on a cruise."