

VOCAB-u-lous!

Build a Fabulous Vocab

Words That Begin With *FR*- Blends

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“Many studies have established the fact that there is a high correlation between vocabulary and intelligence, and that the ability to increase one’s vocabulary throughout life is a sure reflection of intellectual progress.”

—Bergen Evans, 1904–1978, American lexicographer and educator

Depending on what grade you are in, if you learn just three new words a week, you could add hundreds or even thousands of words to your vocabulary by the time you finish high school. Use a word from the Word Bank to complete each sentence below. Notice that one word fits two sentences. You may want to use your dictionary.

Word Bank	fracas friable	fractal fricassee	frank frisson	fraught froward	freshet
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1. Marjolijn found the soil rich and _____, perfect for growing tomatoes and other vegetables that need to establish extensive root systems quickly.
2. When preparing a _____, first cut the chicken into eight pieces.
3. “You are the most _____ little brat,” Mr. Guiliano yelled when Tommy wouldn’t stop pulling the cat’s tail.
4. Kairu felt a slight _____ when Zelda agreed to go to the dance with him.
5. No one knew who started the _____, but all the participants were suspended from school for three days.
6. The researcher was amazed to discover _____-like patterns in the layouts of some African villages, fabric designs, and even hairstyles.
7. Be sure to _____ the letter before you mail it.
8. During a spring _____, the river can rise as high as 21 feet above flood stage, drowning the adjacent park and picnic area.
9. The soldiers knew the road to the checkpoint was _____ with danger.
10. “You need to have a _____ discussion with your son about those losers he’s hanging out with,” Mrs. Ahren told her husband.