

VOCAB-u-lous!

Build a Fabulous Vocab

Words That Begin With **GL**- Blends

Name _____

Date _____

"I love smooth words, like gold-enameled fish
Which circle slowly with a silken swish."

— Elinor Hoyt Wylie, American poet and novelist, 1885–1928

The *gl* blend produces some of the smoothest, silkiest words in English. Think of *glorious*, *glamorous*, and *glittering*; they glide right past the glottis. Use a word from the Word Bank to complete each sentence below. Notice that one word fits two sentences. Your dictionary might come in handy.

Word Bank	glacéed glissando	glassine gloaming	glazier glossolalia	gleanings glyph(s)	glissade
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1. The psychiatrist who recorded Taylor's _____ couldn't tell whether the boy was faking a religious trance or suffering from schizophrenia.
2. After they make enough trips in flying saucers to pack the snow, the kids discard their boots and _____ down the hill in their stocking feet.
3. The soprano handled her last _____ with ease, her voice shimmering in the still auditorium.
4. Archaeologists have uncovered Mayan _____ on pottery and bark paper, carved into wood or chiseled into stone, and molded into construction materials.
5. After finishing her evening chores, Taffy loves wandering down to the creek in the _____ with her little dog scampering behind her.
6. A _____ soufflé dissolves in the mouth as snowflakes melt on the tongue.
7. Nora decided to cover her prints with _____ before putting them in storage for the summer.
8. The birds followed the combine through the wheat field, feasting on the _____.
9. The ballerina completed the _____ effortlessly, sinking slowly and gracefully onto the stage.
10. When Callen broke his bedroom window after his mother had repeatedly told him not to practice dribbling in the house, she made him pay the _____'s bill.