

# Fifth Grade Vocabulary Units 1-3

## Unit 1 Flocabulary Orange Lesson 9 – “I Keep My Head Up”

1. **apparent** - easy to see or understand; clear
2. **awkward** - not graceful; weird or hard to handle
3. **competition** - trying to outdo others; a game or contest
4. **congratulate** - to express joy for a person’s success or good fortune
5. **dusk** - the time at the end of the day just before dark; evening
6. **instant** - a moment; a very short period of time
7. **limb** – an arm, leg, wing, or branch
8. **queasy** – feeling sick to the stomach
9. **represent** – stand in for something or someone else
10. **weary** – feeling tired or worn out from hard work

### Easily Confused Words

11. **too** – in addition, also, excessively
12. **to** – approaching, reaching; motion
13. **two** – 2; the sum of one and one

## Unit 3 Flocabulary Orange Lesson 11 – “The Storm”

1. **hail** - small lumps of frozen rain; to cheer, welcome, or compliment
2. **limp** - to walk awkwardly or in an uneven way
3. **noble** - deserving of respect; impressive. Of a high rank in society
4. **prefer** – to like better, to choose first
5. **response** – a reply or answer; a reaction to something
6. **reveal** – to make known; to uncover
7. **severe** – very strict or harsh
8. **typical** – being like others of its kind; normal
9. **valiant** – full of courage; brave
10. **distract** – to draw attention to something else; to confuse or disturb

### Easily Confused Words

11. **there** – a place or position
12. **their** – belonging to, showing possession
13. **they’re** – contraction for they are

## Unit 2 Flocabulary Orange Lesson 10 – “Aliens”

1. **alert** - paying attention and ready to act; an alarm; to warn or make aware of
2. **ancestor** - a family member who lived at an earlier time
3. **arrest** - take someone and hold them for breaking the law
4. **ascend** – to move upward
5. **descend** – to go or come down
6. **destructive** – causing harm or damage
7. **frontier** – the outer edge of something, in which whatever is beyond that edge is wild or unknown
8. **proceed** – to start or continue in an orderly way
9. **surface** – the outside layer; the top
10. **tradition** – belief, custom, or usual way of doing things, handed down within families or groups

### Easily Confused Words

11. **are** – a form of the verb to be
12. **our** – belonging to, showing possession
13. **hour** – 60 minutes

## Review Units 1-3 (15 words)

1. apparent
2. awkward
3. ascend
4. descend
5. ancestor
6. response
7. prefer
8. alert
9. instant
10. hail
11. – 15. **Easily Confused Words**  
(randomly selected)

# Fifth Grade Vocabulary Units 4-6

## Unit 4

Flocabulary Orange Lesson 12 – “Superstitions”

1. **analyze** - to study carefully or in detail
2. **appropriate** - suitable or fitting.
3. **century** - a period of 100 years
4. **focus** - to concentrate; to make sharper and clearer. a central point of activity or interest.
5. **impact** - the striking of one object by another; collision
6. **peer** - a person who is equal to another in age, job, or social status
7. **plentiful** - in great supply; easily available; more than enough
8. **recent** - of a time just before the present
9. **source** - the thing or place from which something comes
10. **terror** - great fear

### Easily Confused Words

11. **then** - next; at that time
12. **than** - introduces a second item in comparison

## Unit 6

Flocabulary Orange Lesson 14 –  
“Why the Sea is Salty”

1. **assist** - to give help or support
2. **circular** - looking like or moving like a circle; round
3. **crafty** - skilled at tricking others
4. **demonstrate** - to clearly explain, show, or prove with examples. To gather with people in public to support a cause
5. **envy** - a feeling of unhappiness caused by wanting what someone else has; jealousy
6. **generosity** - a willingness to give things to others
7. **hardship** - something that causes suffering or difficulty; a condition that is hard to bear.
8. **humble** - not proud or full of yourself; modest
9. **lack** - a shortage; to be without; to not have
10. **portion** - a part or share of the whole

### Easily Confused Words

11. **its** - showing ownership or belonging to a thing
12. **it's** - contraction for it is

## Unit 5

Flocabulary Orange Lesson 13 –  
“Kid Who Always Says The Wrong Thing”

1. **attempt** - to try; to make an effort
2. **confuse** - to make or become unclear or mixed up in the mind.
3. **disaster** - a sudden terrible event that brings about great damage or suffering
4. **entertain** - to amuse or make someone have fun
5. **furious** - very angry
6. **host** - a person who has people over, or who directs the entertainment; a large number of something
7. **inspire** - to guide, excite, or encourage
8. **mock** - to make fun of, especially by pretending to be someone; fake
9. **pointless** - having no meaning or effect
10. **routine** - something that is done the same way again and again; normal, regular

### Easily Confused Words

11. **whose** - belonging or ownership for a person
12. **who's** - contraction for who is

## Review Units 4-6 (15 words)

1. analyze
2. century
3. circular
4. attempt
5. entertain
6. disaster
7. demonstrate
8. crafty
9. humble
10. envy
11. - 15. **Easily Confused Words**  
(randomly selected)

# Fifth Grade Vocabulary Units 7-9

## Unit 7 Flocabulary Indigo Lesson 1 – “Something That Doesn’t Exist”

1. **alternate** – happening or appearing in turns; every other. Being a choice between two or more things
2. **bland** – lacking a strong flavor
3. **convert** – to change from one form to another. To change someone’s religion, opinion, or beliefs.
4. **intense** – very strong; very great
5. **navigate** – to move or direct (a ship or plane) along a certain path. To make one’s own way
6. **pedestrian** – a person who is walking
7. **require** – to need or demand
8. **retire** – to stop working
9. **revert** – to go back to an earlier condition, often one that is not satisfactory
10. **sparse** – small in number or extent; thinly scattered.

### Easily Confused Words

11. **your** – showing ownership or possession by you
12. **you’re** – contraction of the words you are

## Unit 9 Flocabulary Indigo Lesson 3 – “Dracula Junior”

1. **abolish** – to bring to an end; to do away with
2. **banquet** – a large meal for many people; a feast
3. **concept** – a general idea or thought
4. **immense** – great in size or extent
5. **miniature** – on a very small scale
6. **negative** – likely to say “no” to things; not positive or helpful.
7. **perish** – to die; to be killed or destroyed.
8. **petrify** – to terrify; to turn into stone
9. **solitary** – alone; without others
10. **wilderness** – An area where there are few people living; an area in its natural state

### Easily Confused Words

11. **past** – gone by in time; no longer existing
12. **passed** – to go across; to move

## Unit 8 Flocabulary Indigo Lesson 2 – “Kat and Mouse”

1. **access** – small in number or extent; thinly scattered. A way of entering or using something
2. **companion** – one who does things with another or spends lots of time with another; a close friend
3. **crave** – to have a strong desire for
4. **document** – a written or printed record that gives information or proof. To write down or record.
5. **escalate** – to go up or increase in size or scope
6. **mischievous** – playful activity causing some annoyance
7. **oasis** - A place where there’s water in a dry area. A place that is wonderful in midst of unpleasantness
8. **suspend** – to hang something from above; to hold back before continuing
9. **visual** – having to do with sight or seeing
10. **hazy** – unclear, misty; not readily seen or understandable

### Easily Confused Words

11. **lose** – unable to find; opposite of win
12. **loose** – not tightly fixed in place; set free

## Review Units 7-9 (15 words)

1. convert
2. navigate
3. document
4. intense
5. crave
6. companion
7. miniature
8. immense
9. abolish
10. perish
11. – 15. **Easily Confused Words**  
(randomly selected)

# Fifth Grade Vocabulary Units 10-12

## Unit 10 Flocabulary Indigo Lesson 4 – “They Want Money”

1. **compensate** – to make up for; pay in exchange for work
2. **courteous** – considerate toward others; polite
3. **dedicate** – to set aside for a certain purpose. To offer something
4. **kin** – a person’s relatives
5. **luxurious** – providing ease and comfort far beyond what is necessary.
6. **major** – great in size, number, or importance
7. **minor** – small, unimportant
8. **obsolete** – no longer in wide use because it is out-of-date
9. **pardon** – to forgive
10. **seldom** – not often; rarely

### Easily Confused Words

11. **thorough** – do something carefully and completely
12. **though** – despite the fact; although
13. **through** – moving in one side and out the other

## Unit 12 Flocabulary Indigo Lesson 6 – “Golden Dragon”

1. **accomplish** – to complete; to succeed in doing something.
2. **altitude** – height above the Earth’s surface
3. **avalanche** – a great mass of rocks, dirt, snow, or ice sliding down a mountainside
4. **excavate** – to dig out
5. **guardian** – one who protects or guards
6. **monarch** – a king, queen, or emperor; someone who rules a kingdom.
7. **pasture** – a field of growing grass where animals can eat; a meadow
8. **resemble** – to look like or be similar to
9. **route** – the path that must be followed to get to a place
10. **summit** – the highest part; the top

### Easily Confused Words

11. **quit** – leave; be rid of
12. **quite** – absolutely, completely; fairly
13. **quiet** – making little or no noise; opposite of loud

## Unit 11 Flocabulary Indigo Lesson 5 – “The Misunderstanding”

1. **aroma** – a smell or odor, especially a pleasant one
2. **available** – ready to use; at hand
3. **assume** – to take for granted; to think you know
4. **comply** – to act in a way that follows the rules or another’s wishes
5. **edible** – safe or fit to be eaten
6. **gigantic** – very large; huge
7. **industrious** – busy, working steadily
8. **numerous** – many or very many
9. **provide** – to give what is needed; to supply
10. **saunter** – to walk without hurrying; to stroll in a relaxed, unhurried manner

### Easily Confused Words

11. **where** – a place or position
12. **wear** – have on one’s body as clothing or protection
13. **were** – past tense of to be

## Review Units 10-12 (15 words)

1. luxurious
2. courteous
3. aroma
4. edible
5. guardian
6. obsolete
7. summit
8. resemble
9. accomplish
10. monarch
11. – 15. **Easily Confused Words**  
(randomly selected)

## Fifth Grade Vocabulary Units 13-15

### Unit 13 Flocabulary Indigo Lesson 7 – “Have Compassion”

1. **abuse** – wrong or cruel treatment
2. **compassion** - A feeling of sharing the suffering of others and of wanting to help; sympathy; pity
3. **course** – a direction, path, or route to be taken
4. **dictate** – to give orders; to make something happen a certain way. Read or say out loud for someone to write down
5. **duplicate** – to copy exactly
6. **feeble** – weak; having little strength
7. **moral** – a useful lesson about life
8. **nonchalant** – having the appearance of not caring; seeming to show a lack of concern.
9. **senseless** – lacking meaning; stupid or foolish
10. **taunt** – to make fun of in an insulting way

#### Easily Confused Words

11. **hear** – to perceive sound with the ear
12. **here** – a place or position

### Unit 15

Flocabulary Indigo Lesson 9 –  
“Shoes Match Your Shirt”

1. **absurd** – making no sense at all; seeming to have no reason
2. **anxious** – worried, concerned
3. **combine** – to join or bring together
4. **hearty** – warm, friendly; Large and satisfying to the appetite
5. **identical** – exactly the same
6. **myth** – an old story that explains why something is or how it came to be
7. **purchase** – to buy
8. **solo** – made or done by one person
9. **thrifty** – careful about spending money; tending to save money or manage money well.
10. **vivid** – bright, sharp; giving a clear picture; full of life

#### Easily Confused Words

11. **weather** – the state of the atmosphere
12. **whether** – expressing a choice between alternatives

### Unit 14

Flocabulary Indigo Lesson 8 –  
“Water Balloon Fight”

1. **apparent** – easily seen, clear, or obvious
2. **beverage** – a drink
3. **blizzard** – a heavy snowstorm with strong winds
4. **budge** – to move or shift
5. **cautiously** – carefully; trying to avoid risks or mistakes
6. **frigid** – very cold
7. **sluggish** – lazy; lacking energy
8. **spurt** – to shoot out quickly in a stream; a quick burst of activity
9. **strategy** – a carefully formed plan or plot; or a plan of military operations
10. **visible** – able to be seen, exposed to view, not hidden

#### Easily Confused Words

11. **accept** – agree to receive
12. **except** – not including; other than

### Review Units 13-15 (15 words)

1. duplicate
2. compassion
3. cautiously
4. apparent
5. identical
6. frigid
7. absurd
8. myth
9. vivid
10. nonchalant

11. – 15. **Easily Confused Words**  
(randomly selected)

## Fifth Grade Vocabulary Units 16-18

### Unit 16 Floocabulary Indigo Lesson 10 – “I’ve Got My Flocab”

1. **protagonist** – the lead character or hero
2. **antagonist** – a person who struggles against another; the enemy of the protagonist
3. **antonym** – have the opposite meaning of another word.
4. **synonym** - have the same meaning as another word.
5. **narrator** – the person who tells a story
6. **prefix** – a part of a word placed at the front of a word to create new meaning.
7. **homonym** - pronounced the same as another word but has a different meaning
8. **suffix** – a part of a word placed at the end of a word to create new meaning.
9. **character** – a person, usually in a work of art.
10. **translate** – change from one language to another

#### Easily Confused Words

11. **witch** – person thought to have magical powers
12. **which** – asking information about a set of items

### Unit 18 Floocabulary Indigo Lesson 12 – “The Spider King”

1. **gorge** – a narrow passage between steep cliffs, usually with a stream running through
2. **illuminate** – to light up; to supply with light
3. **intercept** – to stop or seize something while it’s on its way somewhere.
4. **jubilation** – a feeling of great joy
5. **occasion** – a particular time or happening
6. **preserve** – to save; to protect
7. **sever** – to separate a part from the whole by cutting
8. **soar** – to fly high in the sky
9. **talon** – a claw (especially of a bird of prey)
10. **tropical** – similar to the tropics, the area near the Equator.

#### Easily Confused Words

11. **were** – past tense of the verb *to be*
12. **we’re** – contraction for the words we are

### Unit 17

Floocabulary Indigo Lesson 11 –  
“They Can Never Stop Me”

1. **achievement** – something done successfully; something gained by working or trying hard.
2. **approximate** – not exactly, close enough to be reasonably correct
3. **astound** – to fill with surprise and wonder; amaze
4. **challenge** – a difficult job or task.
5. **confident** – certain, sure
6. **decline** – refuse to accept; to say “no” to.
7. **detect** – to find or discover something; notice
8. **impressive** – having a strong effect; commanding attention
9. **independent** – able to live or do something alone, without help
10. **reliable** – deserving trust; dependable

#### Easily Confused Words

11. **bear** – carry the weight of, endure
12. **bare** – basic and simple; not clothed or covered

### Review Units 16-18 (15 words)

1. protagonist
2. antagonist
3. narrator
4. achievement
5. jubilation
6. astound
7. synonym
8. antonym
9. sever
10. intercept
11. – 15. **Easily Confused Words**  
(randomly selected)

# Fifth Grade Vocabulary Units 19-21

## Unit 19

Flocabulary Indigo Lesson 13 –  
“The Battle Between People and Machines”

1. **aggressive** – ready and eager to attack.
2. **deprive** – to take something away; to keep someone from having something
3. **endanger** – to put in danger
4. **exasperate** – to make angry; to annoy
5. **exult** – to be joyful; to show great happiness
6. **overthrow** – to end the rule of; to defeat, often by using force
7. **portable** – capable of being transported or moved
8. **slither** – to move with a sliding, side-to-side, snakelike motion
9. **suffocate** – to kill or die by stopping access to air
10. **withdraw** – to take back; to pull back or remove

### Easily Confused Words

11. **sight** – power of seeing
12. **site** – an area of ground
13. **cite** – a quote as evidence of a statement

## Unit 21

Flocabulary Green Lesson 1 –  
“Bottom of the Ninth”

1. **boisterous** – noisy and rowdy
2. **capacity** – the largest possible amount that can be contained
3. **maximum** – highest allowable amount
4. **inept** – without skill; clumsy
5. **restrain** – to hold back from
6. **commentary** – an explanation or interpretation
7. **marvel** – a wonderful thing or an awesome sight
8. **factor** – a reason or circumstance
9. **cumulative** – increasing by adding one thing after a number
10. **intimidate** – to frighten, threaten or scare

### Easily Confused Words

11. **affect** – to make a difference (verb)
12. **effect** – a change which is the result of a consequence (noun)

## Unit 20

Flocabulary Indigo Lesson 14 –  
“Play It Like a Game”

1. **bungle** – to do something badly or without skill; to mess something up.
2. **compose** – to create or write
3. **debate** – a discussion, often public, involving opposite viewpoints.
4. **evade** – to escape, especially by trickery or cleverness
5. **exert** – to put forth effort
6. **exhibit** – an act of exhibiting; a show
7. **realistic** – concerned with the practical, or things that will really happen; resembling real life
8. **reassure** – to make less worried or fearful; to comfort
9. **reign** – during the rule of a king or queen
10. **retain** – to hold onto, to take possession of

### Easily Confused Words

11. **buy** – a purchase
12. **bye** – the transfer of a team to the next round
13. **by** – to go past

## Review Units 19-21 (15 words)

1. endanger
2. boisterous
3. debate
4. maximum
5. bungle
6. capacity
7. inept
8. cumulative
9. commentary
10. restrain
11. – 15. Easily Confused Words  
(randomly selected)

## Fifth Grade Vocabulary Units 22-24

### Unit 22

Flocabulary Green Lesson 2 – “Mime in a Box”

1. **ample** – plenty; more than enough
2. **collaborate** – to work together, especially on a piece of work or art
3. **concise** – short and to the point, saying a lot in a few words
4. **distinct** – different; not the same as others
5. **diversity** – having different types together; variety
6. **dominate** – to rule over, control, or tower above
7. **ignite** – to set on fire, to burn
8. **linger** – to stay in place longer than expected
9. **mimic** – to imitate or copy and action (often to make fun of someone)
10. **objective** – a goal or purpose

#### Easily Confused Words

11. **threw** – propel with force through the air
12. **through** – moving in one side and out the other

### Unit 24

Flocabulary Green Lesson 4 –  
“The Ballad of Ron and John”

1. **campaign** – series of operations to accomplish a goal
2. **collide** – to crash into
3. **consequence** – the outcome, result, or effect
4. **drastic** – extreme, severe
5. **elaborate** – worked out with great care and attention to detail
6. **inevitable** – necessary, unavoidable
7. **loathe** – to feel intense hate for
8. **predicament** – a difficult situation
9. **provoke** – to enrage or stir up
10. **retaliate** – to get even; to do something to take revenge

#### Easily Confused Words

11. **week** – seven days
12. **weak** – lacking power to perform a task

### Unit 23

Flocabulary Green Lesson 3 – “Mandela is Free”

1. **allegiance** – loyalty or devotion
2. **chronological** – occurring or going in order of time
3. **context** – the background or situation of something
4. **diligent** – hard-working or thorough
5. **generate** – to produce or create
6. **majority** – the greater part or number
7. **meager** – not enough; inadequate
8. **negotiate** – to bargain, to try to reach a deal
9. **obstacle** – something that gets in your way
10. **possess** – to own, occupy, or control

#### Easily Confused Words

11. **knew** – be aware through observation
12. **new** – not existing before; recently

### Review Units 22-24 (15 words)

1. collaborate
2. diversity
3. ample
4. chronological
5. generate
6. obstacle
7. inevitable
8. elaborate
9. drastic
10. loathe
11. – 15. Easily Confused Words  
(randomly selected)