



UPB SPELLING BEE

CONTEST

6th & 7th Grade - Worker bees



6° GRADE VOCABULARY

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This is the meaning of the word, contextualized meaning or synonym list down which the student will listen to in case of any contestant asks for it.

	WORD	MEANING	EXAMPLE
UNIT 1: FAMILY MATTERS			
1	Granddaughter (n)	A person's granddaughter is the daughter of that person's son or daughter.	Edna doesn't see her granddaughter very often.
2	Grandson (n)	A person's grandson is the son of that person's son or daughter.	<i>Their only grandson is 12 years old.</i>
3	Interested in (adj)	When a person is interested in something, they want to know all about it.	<i>Lee is really interested in computers and robots.</i>
4	Husband (n)	A person's husband is the man they're married to.	<i>She's a doctor and her husband is a teacher.</i>
5	Step-father (n)	A person's step-father is the man their mother is married to, who is not their father.	Gina's step-father is very good to her.
6	Generation (n)	A generation is a group of people born around the same time, who are close in age.	<i>Three generations live in this house: our grandparents, our parents and us.</i>
7	Messy (adj)	When something is messy , it's not clean or organised.	<i>The house is messy because the children do not clean up their toys.</i>
8	Annoying (adj)	When a person is annoying , they do or say things that anger or bother you.	<i>Stop tapping your pencil on the desk! It's really annoying.</i>
9	Breakfast (n)	Breakfast is the meal that you eat in the morning.	<i>I often have coffee and an egg for breakfast.</i>
10	To be married to (vp)	When you are married to someone, that person is your husband or wife.	<i>Lena is married to John and they have three children.</i>
11	Take care of (vp)	When you take care of someone or something, you help or protect them.	<i>Their grandmother takes care of them when their parents are working.</i>
12	Daughter (n)	A person's daughter is their female (girl) child.	<i>Mr and Mrs Ho have two daughters, Eva and Mei.</i>
13	Enjoy (v)	When you enjoy something, you really like it.	<i>My parents enjoy cooking and travelling</i>
14	Friendly (adj)	When a person is friendly , they're very pleasant and kind.	<i>I really like your sister because she's so friendly.</i>

15	Mean (adj)	When a person is mean , they're not nice or kind.	<i>The new student can't make friends because he's being mean</i>
UNIT 2: A DIFFERENT EDUCATION			
16	On weekdays (adv)	When something happens on weekdays , it happens on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.	<i>We only go to school on weekdays, and not in the summer.</i>
17	Once a week (adv)	When something happens once a week , it happens one time in seven days.	<i>I have basketball practice once a week.</i>
18	Every day (adv)	When something happens every day , it happens on each of the seven days of the week.	<i>My uncle gets up for work every day at 6.00 a.m.</i>
19	Twice a week (adv)	When something happens twice a week , it happens two times in seven days.	<i>The office is open twice a week, on Tuesdays and Thursdays.</i>
20	At the weekend (adv)	When something happens at the weekend , it happens on Saturday and/or Sunday.	<i>Our teacher never gives us homework to do at the weekend.</i>
21	Easy (adj)	When something is easy , it is not hard to do or understand.	<i>I always do well in art because it's easy for me.</i>
22	Lesson (n)	A lesson is a time when students come together to learn something with a teacher.	Science is my favourite lesson .
23	Language (n)	A language is the system of words that people use to communicate with one another.	<i>Marta speaks three languages: English, Spanish and Portuguese.</i>
24	Camera (n)	A camera is a tool that you use to take photographs.	<i>Many people take photos with the camera on their smartphone.</i>
25	Screen (n)	The screen is the flat part of a smartphone, TV or computer that you look at when using it.	<i>This new TV has a very big screen.</i>
26	Instructions (n)	Instructions are sentences that tell you how to do something.	<i>Read the instructions carefully before you begin the test.</i>
27	Practice (v)	When you practice something, you do it over and over until you become good at it.	<i>She practices playing the piano every day and she plays very well.</i>
28	Library (n)	A library is a building with a lot of books, magazines and other materials that people borrow and return.	<i>I get three new books from the library every week.</i>
29	Laptop (n)	A laptop is a small computer that is easy to carry around.	<i>I'm using my mum's laptop to write my report.</i>
30	Homework (n)	Homework is work from school that students must do at home.	<i>Mr. Jones doesn't give homework over the weekend.</i>
31	Classmate (n)	A classmate is another student in your class at school.	<i>If you haven't got a pencil, you can borrow one from a classmate.</i>
32	Fail (v)	When you fail at something, you don't succeed at it.	<i>Let's study for this test because we don't want to fail.</i>
33	Hard-working (adj)	When someone is hard-working , they put a lot of time and effort into their work.	<i>Hard-working people are often successful.</i>
34	Improve (v)	When you improve something, you make it better.	<i>Maria is travelling to Australia to improve her English.</i>

35	Succeed (v)	When you succeed , you're able to do what you're trying to do.	<i>You may not succeed the first time, but you should keep trying.</i>
36	Different (adj)	When two or more things are different , they are not like each other.	<i>We always play chess. Let's play something different today.</i>
37	Difficult (adj)	When something is difficult, it is hard to do or understand.	<i>Do you think English is a difficult language to learn?</i>
UNIT 3: ROBOTS AND US			
38	Follow (v)	When you follow instructions, you do what they say.	<i>If you don't know how to make a cake, just follow the instructions on the box.</i>
39	Help (v)	When you help someone, you do something that makes things easier for that person.	<i>My teacher is going to help me with the maths homework.</i>
40	Design (v)	To design something is to make a plan for how it's going to be.	<i>They want to design a robot that can cook dinner.</i>
41	Doctor (n)	A doctor is a person whose job it is to help sick or injured people.	<i>When I don't feel well, I always call the doctor.</i>
42	Control (v)	When you control something, you make it do what you want it to do.	<i>The scientists control the robot's movement with the computer.</i>
43	Pain (n)	Pain is a bad feeling you get in your body when you're ill or injured.	<i>She has to sit down because of the pain in her back.</i>
44	Hold (v)	When you hold something, you have it in your hands.	<i>Can you please hold my book bag while I tie my shoe?</i>
45	Move (v)	When someone or something moves , they change position.	<i>Please help me move this table into the corner.</i>
46	Send (v)	When you send something, you make it go from where you are to somewhere else.	<i>The teacher sends an e-mail to parents every week.</i>
47	Online (adv)	When you go online , you do something using the Internet.	<i>Let's go online to learn more about the blue whale.</i>
48	Mouse (n)	A mouse is a small item that you move with your hand to control a computer.	<i>Click the mouse two times to open this e-mail.</i>
49	Boring (adj)	When something is boring , it is not interesting or fun.	<i>I'm interested in this film, but my mum thinks it's boring.</i>
50	Bring (v)	When you bring something, you carry it to the place where you're going.	<i>I'm thirsty. Please bring me a glass of water.</i>
51	Moveable (adj)	When something is moveable , its position can be changed.	<i>The robot has moveable arms so that it can get things off the shelf.</i>
52	Imagine (v)	When you imagine something, you have an idea of it in your mind.	<i>My grandmother doesn't use the Internet, so she can't imagine shopping online.</i>
53	Laugh (v)	When you laugh , you make a noise that shows you think something is funny.	<i>We always laugh at our teacher's jokes.</i>
54	Engineering (n)	Engineering is the science of designing and creating new things, such as buildings or computer systems.	<i>My cousin studies computer engineering at the university.</i>
55	Program (n)	A program is a set of instructions that a computer follows.	<i>He's writing a program that sends his parents an e-mail when he gets home from school.</i>

56	Project (n)	A project is a special task at work or school that takes a lot of time and effort.	<i>We're working on our science projects in groups of three.</i>
UNIT 4: PART OF NATURE			
57	Endangered (adj)	When an animal or plant species is endangered , it is rare and may no longer exist one day.	<i>Snow leopards are endangered. There are fewer than 8,000 in the wild.</i>
58	Conservation (n)	Conservation is the act of protecting animals, plants and the environment.	<i>My parents give money to support wildlife conservation efforts.</i>
59	Forest (n)	A forest is a large area with a lot of trees and plants growing close together.	<i>On sunny days, I like to walk through the trees in the nearby forest.</i>
60	Captivity (n)	If an animal is in captivity , it's kept in a certain place, such as a reserve or a zoo, under the care of humans.	<i>Many animals live longer in captivity.</i>
61	Costume (n)	A costume is clothing you wear to look like a different person or thing.	<i>We always wear colourful costumes to the carnival.</i>
62	Leopard (n)	A leopard is a large, yellow cat with black spots.	<i>Leopards look like cheetahs, but they're not the same.</i>
63	Mountain (n)	A mountain is a very high area of land.	<i>Bill loves to go hiking in the mountains.</i>
64	Reserve (n)	A reserve is an area of land where the animals and plants are protected.	<i>Workers keep pandas in a reserve until they're ready to go into the wild.</i>
65	Wildlife (n)	Wildlife is all the wild animals in a place.	<i>It's important to protect the wildlife found in nature.</i>
66	Centimetre (n)	A centimetre is a unit of measurement for length. There are 100 centimetres in a metre.	<i>This poster is only 20 centimetres wide.</i>
67	Against the law (phr)	When something is against the law , it breaks the rules of that place.	<i>It's against the law to keep wild animals as pets.</i>
68	Rain forest (n)	A rain forest is a type of forest that gets a lot of rain.	<i>There are over 1,500 species of birds in the rain forest.</i>
69	Return (v)	When you return something, you give it back to the person it belongs to.	<i>I returned all of my books to the library.</i>
UNIT 5: WATER			
70	Salt water (n)	Salt water is water that has salt; sea water is salt water.	<i>Don't get salt water in your eyes when you swim in the ocean.</i>
71	Fresh water (n)	Fresh water is water that doesn't have salt. It's found in rivers, lakes and other small bodies of water.	<i>We love swimming in this lake's fresh water.</i>
72	Ground (n)	The ground is the surface of the Earth.	<i>Let's put this blanket on the ground and have a picnic.</i>
73	Underground (adv)	When someone goes underground , they go below the surface of the Earth.	<i>Those trains go underground to get into the city.</i>
74	Ocean (n)	An ocean is a large body of salt water that covers much of the Earth. The Atlantic and the Pacific are the two largest oceans.	<i>I love to walk along the ocean in the evening.</i>
75	Unsafe (adj)	When someone or something is unsafe , they're in danger and may be harmed in some way.	<i>My mother feels unsafe when we leave the windows open at night.</i>
76	Reusable (adj)	When something is reusable , it can be used more than once.	<i>I always bring reusable bags to the supermarket.</i>
77	Toilet (n)	A toilet is a something you sit on in your bathroom. The water in the toilet takes away your body's waste.	<i>The bathroom has a toilet, a sink and a bath.</i>

78	Cloth (n)	Cloth is a soft material used to make items such as clothing and blankets.	<i>They used a bright cloth to make the curtains.</i>
79	Plastic (n)	Plastic is a hard but light substance used to make many different things, such as toys and bottles.	<i>We need to use less plastic so that it doesn't get into the ocean.</i>
80	Recycle (v)	When you recycle a material such as paper, plastic or glass, you send it to a place where it will be made into something new.	<i>The students collect paper from each classroom and then recycle it.</i>
81	Re-use (v)	When you re-use something, you use it again.	<i>I don't throw away plastic forks. I prefer to wash them and re-use them.</i>

UNIT 6: THE CITY: PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE

82	Building (n)	A building is any structure with a roof and walls.	<i>They live in a very tall apartment building in the city.</i>
83	Centre (n)	The centre of an area is the place right in the middle of it.	<i>They're building a new cinema in the centre of town.</i>
84	Amazing (adj)	When someone or something is amazing , they surprise or please you.	<i>What an amazing film! I'm so happy we saw it.</i>
85	Museum (n)	A museum is a building where people go to see valuable things, especially artwork.	<i>The museum has a new collection of modern Japanese paintings.</i>
86	Hospital (n)	A hospital is a large building where doctors and nurses work to take care of ill or injured people.	<i>She had to go to hospital because of her skiing accident.</i>
87	Important (adj)	When something is important , it's very meaningful and must have your attention.	<i>This letter looks important. You should open it immediately!</i>
88	Focus (v)	When you focus on something, you pay attention to it.	<i>Please stop talking and focus on the teacher.</i>
89	Interesting (adj)	When someone or something is interesting , it keeps your attention and you want to learn more about that person or thing.	<i>He's reading a really interesting book that he doesn't want to put down.</i>
90	Busy (adj)	When a place is busy , there are a lot of people at that place.	<i>The new restaurant in town is always busy.</i>
91	Entrance (n)	The entrance of a place is the way into that place.	<i>This entrance is closed, so we'll have to walk around to the back door.</i>
92	Inside (adv / n)	When you go inside , you go in a building. When you go through a building's entrance, you are on the inside of it.	<i>It's starting to rain, so let's go inside. The hospital has a herb garden on the inside.</i>
93	Outside (adv / n)	When you go outside of a building, you leave the building. The outside of a building includes its outer sides and the area around it.	<i>There is a lovely big garden outside. From the outside, this house doesn't look very nice.</i>
94	Roof (n)	The roof is the top, outside part of a building.	<i>There is water coming into the house from the roof.</i>
95	Take photos (vp)	When you take photos , you use a camera to make pictures of someone or something.	<i>Paolo is travelling to Africa to take photos of the wild animals there.</i>
96	Theatre (n)	A theatre is a building where people go to watch shows, listen to music or see a play.	<i>On Saturday night, we're going to the theatre to see the ballet.</i>
97	Cathedral (n)	A cathedral is the largest, most important church in a town or city.	<i>The bells at the cathedral ring 12 times at noon.</i>
98	Castle (n)	A castle is a large building surrounded by high walls where royalty or important people either live, or once lived.	<i>The king's castle sits high on the hill.</i>

99	Mosque (n)	A mosque is a building where Muslims go to pray.	The mosque in the centre of town was built in the 15th century.
100	Angle (n)	An angle is the space made when two straight lines come together.	The entrance to the building is unusual because of its sharp angle .
101	Curve (n)	A curve is a line with a smooth, rounded shape.	Please drive slowly around this curve in the road.
102	Rectangle (n)	A rectangle is a shape with four straight sides, two of which are longer than the other two.	The table is a rectangle , so we need a long tablecloth.
103	Straight line (n)	A straight line is a long, thin mark that does not curve or bend.	Use this ruler to help you draw a straight line.
104	Unusual (adj)	When something is unusual , it's not normal or plain.	This building is so unusual because of its curved roof.

UNIT 7: AMAZING SPACE

105	Solar system (n)	A solar system is made up of a star and all of the planets that move around it. The Sun is the star of our solar system.	Can you name all of the planets in the solar system ?
106	Orbit (v)	When a planet or moon orbits another object in space, it moves around that object on a curved path.	Earth orbits the Sun every 365 days.
107	Galaxy (n)	A galaxy is a large group of stars and planets.	Our galaxy is called the Milky Way.
108	Universe (n)	The universe is everything in outer space, including other galaxies.	Scientists think the universe is over 13 billion years old.
109	Space (n)	Space is the area beyond Earth that has stars, planets and moons.	When I look through the telescope, I can see outer space .
110	Journey (n)	When you take a journey , you travel from one place to another.	Over the summer, we will take a three-month journey through Australia.
111	Planet (n)	A planet is a large, round object in outer space that moves around a star. Earth is our planet.	Jupiter is the largest of all the planets in our solar system.
112	One-way trip (n)	When you take a one-way trip , you go somewhere but you don't return.	The spacecraft Juno is on a one-way trip to Jupiter.
113	Travel (v)	When you travel , you visit places that aren't near to where you live.	I really want to travel to India one day.
114	Astronaut (n)	An astronaut is a person whose job it is to travel into outer space.	Carlota wants to be an astronaut when she grows up.
115	Atmosphere (n)	Earth's atmosphere is the air that surrounds the planet.	Earth is the only planet we know of with an atmosphere that can support life.
116	Earth (n)	Earth is the planet that we live on.	I don't think there's life beyond Earth .
117	Gas (n)	Gas is anything that isn't a liquid or a solid, including the air all around us.	The Earth's atmosphere is made up of many different gasses
118	Surface (n)	The surface of an area of land or water is the part that's on top.	The boat is moving over the surface of the water.
119	Wind (n)	Wind is the movement of air outside.	The strong wind blew Dan's hat right off his head!
120	Storm (n)	A storm is a weather event that brings strong winds and rain or snow.	There's going to be a storm tonight, so please close the windows.
121	Bright (adj)	When something is bright , it makes a lot of light.	The sun is so bright today, I'll need my sunglasses.
122	Discover (v)	When you discover something, you find it or learn about it for the first time.	The archaeologist discovered an underground city near here.

123	Image (n)	An image is a picture of someone or something.	<i>The image on my computer screen isn't very clear.</i>
124	Lost (adj)	When you're lost , you don't know where you are or the way to get where you want to go.	<i>I don't know where we are. We might be lost!</i>
125	Signal (n)	A signal is a light or a sound that gives information to a person who sees or hears it.	<i>The traffic signals tell us when to stop and when to go.</i>
UNIT 8: SEE THE WORLD			
126	Pack (v)	When you pack , you put things you want to take with you into a bag or a box.	<i>I'm leaving for Jamaica tomorrow, and I need to pack my suitcase.</i>
127	Trip (n)	When you take a trip , you travel to another place.	<i>My grandparents are taking a trip to Hawaii.</i>
128	Public transport (n)	Public transport is the system of buses, subways and trains designed to get the people of a region into, around and out of a city.	<i>This city has good public transport. There's a big subway and lots of buses.</i>
129	By train (prep)	When you go somewhere by train , you go in a long vehicle made up of many connected carriages that travels over metal tracks on the ground.	<i>Let's go to New York City by train this weekend.</i>
130	By boat (prep)	When you travel by boat , you go in a vehicle that moves over water.	<i>They're going from Italy to Tunisia by boat.</i>
131	Tourist (n)	A tourist is a person who travels to other places to see and experience new things.	<i>Each year, over a million tourists travel to see Chichén Itzá.</i>
132	By coach (prep)	When you travel by coach , you go in a large vehicle designed to hold many people that goes over roads.	<i>How long does it take to get to Jakarta by coach?</i>
133	Spend (the day)	When you spend the day somewhere, you are at that place for the whole day.	<i>They're going to spend the day at the museum, and we're going to the beach.</i>
134	Airport (n)	An airport is a place with a lot of land for airplanes to come and go and a building for people to wait for their airplane to arrive.	<i>The plane leaves at 3.00, so let's get to the airport by 1.30.</i>
135	Leave (v)	When you leave , you go away from a place.	<i>The train doesn't leave until 8.30 tonight.</i>
136	Ticket (n)	A ticket is a piece of paper that lets you see or do something, like go to the cinema or travel on a plane, bus or train.	<i>Jon got tickets to the rock concert tonight.</i>
137	Passport (n)	A passport is a document that says what country you're from and is necessary in order to travel from one country to another.	<i>When we entered Colombia, we got a stamp on our passport.</i>
138	Gift (n)	A gift is an item that you give to or receive from someone else, often for celebrations such as birthdays.	<i>Remember to buy me a gift when you're in Moscow.</i>
139	Hotel (n)	A hotel is a building with many bedrooms where people sleep when they are on a trip.	<i>I want to stay at the fivestar hotel in the centre of town!</i>
140	Local (adj)	Something is local when it is located in or comes from a nearby place.	<i>When Greta comes to visit, let's show her all of our favourite local places.</i>
141	Tour (n)	When you take a tour of a place, you visit all of the important places in this area.	<i>The tour of Spain includes stops in Madrid, Granada and Barcelona.</i>
142	Island (n)	An island is an area of land with water on all sides.	<i>Greenland is the largest island in the world.</i>

143	Beach (n)	A beach is an area with a lot of sand or small rocks that is next to an ocean or lake.	<i>On weekends, I like to go to the beach to swim and surf.</i>
144	Valley (n)	A valley is a low area between two hills or mountains.	<i>The Ganges River runs through the Himalayan valley.</i>
145	Cave (n)	A cave is a large, open space that's underground or inside a mountain or hill.	<i>If you explore a cave, make sure you take a torch.</i>
146	Equipment (n)	Equipment is any of the things you need to have with you to do a job.	<i>The tourists brought a lot of equipment with them for taking pictures</i>
147	Pull (v)	When you pull something, you hold onto it to move it closer to you.	<i>Pull the door's handle to open the door.</i>
148	Snow shovel (n)	A snow shovel is a large tool with a long handle and a flat bottom; it's used for lifting and moving snow.	<i>Dad used a snow shovel to clear the pavement.</i>
149	Tent (n) /tent/	A tent is a cloth shelter used for sleeping outside.	<i>When we go camping, we always bring our tent and our sleeping bags.</i>
150	Push	To push is to press against with force in order to move.	<i>He rudely pushed them aside.</i>