



TCEA Vocabulary Bee

7th Grade List

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Term	Definition
analyze	to look at something carefully by attention to its parts
details	pieces of information that support or tell more about the main idea
summary	A retelling of the most important parts of what was read.
theme	A central message or insight into life revealed through a literary work
flashback	An interruption to the story to tell about an event from the past.
dialogue	Conversation between characters
assumption	A belief or statement taken for granted without proof.
audience	the intended reader of a piece of literary work
transitions	Any word or phrase used to move from one idea to the next
allusion	A brief and indirect reference to a person, place, thing or idea of historical, cultural, literary or political significance.
character	A person, animal or inanimate object in a literary work.
tone	Attitude a writer takes toward the audience, a subject, or a character
setting	The time and place in which a story unfolds.
mood	How the reader feels about the text while reading.
irony	A contrast between what is expected and what actually happens.
foreshadowing	An author's use of hints or clues to suggest events that will occur later in the story
conflict	A struggle between opposing forces
author's purpose	The reason the author has for writing. (Inform, persuade, describe, & entertain)

Point of view	The perspective from which a story is told
1st person	Point of view that uses the pronoun "I," the character is in the story
2nd person	Point of view that uses the pronoun "you," the character is talking to the reader
acrostic poem	verse in which certain letters such as the first in each line form a word or message
Concrete poem	a poem in which the words are arranged to create a picture that relates to the content of the poem
symbol	Something that stands for something else
stanza	A group of lines in a poem
simile	A comparison using "like" or "as"
idiom	An expression that cannot be understood if taken literally (ex- "Get your head out of the clouds").
hyperbole	A figure of speech using deliberate exaggeration or overstatement.
context	Words, events, or circumstances that help determine meaning.
Bias	Prejudice toward one side of a subject or issue.
sequence/ sequential order	the order in which things happen (first, second, then, etc...)
Chronological order	Events are in order according to dates and time
Prose	Literary work with paragraphs
alliteration	Repetition of beginning sounds
sarcasm	the use of verbal irony to mock or make fun of
Rhyme scheme	the ordered pattern of rhymes at the ends of the lines of a poem or verse.
rhyme	Repetition of sounds at the end of words
repetition	Repeated use of sounds, words, or ideas for effect and emphasis
refrain	A line or set of lines repeated several times over the course of a poem.
personification	A figure of speech in which an object or animal is given human feelings, thoughts, or attitudes
haiku	3 unrhymed lines (5, 7, 5) usually focusing on nature
Figurative language	Language that cannot be taken literally since it was written to create a special effect or feeling.
connotation	All the meanings, associations, or emotions that a word suggests

denotation	The dictionary definition of a word
cause and effect	The reason something happens and the result of it happening.
claim	A statement one believes is true, usually supported by evidence
relevant	connected to the topic at hand
paraphrase	A restatement of a text or passage in reader's own words.
plagiarism	taking credit for someone else's writing or ideas
evidence	materials used to prove or disprove something
caption	A text label that identifies an illustration such as a figure, table, or picture.
chart	A graphical representation of data
oxymoron	A figure of speech that combines opposite or contradictory terms in a brief phrase.
Onomatopoeia	A word that imitates the sound it represents.
metaphor	A comparison without using like or as
Free verse	Poetry that does not have a regular meter or rhyme scheme
conclusion	A summary based on evidence or facts
inference	A conclusion one can draw from the presented details, an educated guess
propaganda	techniques the author uses to persuade the audience
Rate	A ratio that compares two quantities having different units. (ex: 95 miles in 2 hours)
Unit Rate	Comparing an amount to one (5 apples for \$10, how much does one apple cost?), a rate that has a denominator of 1
Percent of Increase	the percent of change when the new amount is greater than the original, percent by which an amount has been raised compared to the original amount
Percent of Decrease	percent of change where the new number is less than the original number
Mark Up	amount added to the cost of a product to set the selling price.
Discount	the amount by which the regular price of an item is reduced.
Proportion	An equation that shows that two ratios are equal, the correct or appropriate relationship between the size, shape and position of the different parts of something.
Congruent	Having the same size and shape

Mean	Add up all the numbers and divide by total numbers you have
Median	middle number of a set of numbers (numbers in order from least to greatest)
Mode	number that occurs most often
Range	difference between highest and lowest numbers
Distributive Property	the product of a number and the sum of two numbers is the same as the sum of two products of the number multiplied by each of the other numbers.
Complementary	angles add up to 90 degrees
Supplementary	angles add up to 180 degrees
Vertical	sets of angles that form when two lines intersect. Share common vertex.
Adjacent	Two angles that have a common vertex and one common side.
Surface area of a cube	$SA = 6(s)(s)$ or 6 times s squared
Area of a Circle	$A = \pi r^2$
Circumference	$C = 2\pi r$ or $C = (3.14)(d)$
Volume of a cube	$V = LWH$
Volume of a Triangular Prism	$V = (1/2)LWH$
Volume of a Cylinder	$V = (3.14)(r \text{ squared})(h)$
Absolute Value	The distance from the origin to that number on a number line. Number cannot be negative inside of the absolute value bars.
Equation	a mathematical sentence formed by setting 2 expressions equal.
Expression	an expression consisting of at least one variable and also consists of numbers and operations.
Variable	a symbol, usually a letter which is used to represent one or more numbers
Inequality	mathematical sentence formed by placing an inequality symbol between 2 expressions

Triangle Inequality Theorem (T-Rex)	The sum of the lengths of any two sides of a triangle is greater than the length of the third side.
MAD - Mean Absolute Deviation	average distance between each data value and the mean.
Probability	Likelihood of one or more events happening.
Acute Angle	An angle between 0° and 90°
Acute triangle	a triangle with 3 acute angles
Pi	the ratio of a circles circumference to its diameter
Pythagorean Theorem	$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$
Quadrant	one of the four regions that a coordinate plane is divided into
Angle of rotation	the number of degrees a figure is rotated
Box plot	a statistical graph that shows five boundary points where data occurs along a number line
Cluster	a group of points that lie close together on a scatter plot
Equivalent	means the same
Congruent figures	two figures that are the same