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# foe

n. 1. Enemy

[Granny May, The Butcher, Chuck the Evil Sandwich-Making Guy and Dr. Two-Brains are some of Word Girl's foes.]



# melody

n. 1. A song or a tune

[We listened to the mommy bird chirping a sweet *melody* to her four new babies.]



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# miniature

*adj.* 1. Very small; tiny



[We thought that our *miniature* candy bugs would fool our friends, but nobody fell for our tricks.]

# moderation

*adj.* 1. Doing something in a way that is reasonable and acceptable.

[It was difficult to eat our bumblebee cupcakes in *moderation* because they were just so tasty.]



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# berserk

*adj.* 1. Crazy and violent especially because of anger

[Our neighbor went *berserk* when the soccer ball landed in her tulips, crushing many new blooms.]



# delay

*n.* 1. A situation where something happens later than it should

[The baseball game start time was *delayed* due to the heavy rains.]



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# liberty

*n.* 1. The power to speak freely or do what you want to do

[Maddy, Owen, and Cora had the *liberty* to choose whether they cleaned the basement before or after lunch.]



# saturate

*v.* 1. To make something very wet  
2. to fill (something) completely with water



[It was so hot and dry that we had to *saturate* our plants in order to keep them alive.]

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# calorie

*n.* 1. a unit of heat used to indicate the amount of energy that foods will produce in the human body

[Though our July 4<sup>th</sup> Flag Cake has fresh strawberries and blueberries on it, it is still a very high-calorie treat.]



# exaggerate

*v.* 1. To think of or describe something as bigger or greater than it actually is

[Did Owen's dad *exaggerate* when he said that he caught the baseball with his bare hands and that it didn't hurt a bit?].





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## value

*n.* 1. The amount of money that something is worth; useful or important



[Our Royal Wedding Party rings were sparkly and beautiful, but they didn't have much *value*.]

## mischievous

*adj.* 1. Causing annoyance or minor harm or damage

[Brady is a *mischievous* little pooch; he always steals our things then runs away and hides them.]



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## corny

*adj.* 1. Silly or sentimental

[After a few weeks, everyone agreed that the lunchbox joke notes were pretty cute but a little bit *corny*.]



## heist

*v.* 1. Stealing something from a bank or store

[There will never be a play dough *heist* at our toy store, since most children know to save their money to buy toys.]

