

Funny Words

doodad	hodgepodge	chitchat	namby-pamby	fiddlesticks
flabbergast	lollygag	hullabaloo	rapsallion	nitty-gritty

SOME WORDS ARE FUN TO KNOW AND USE BECAUSE THEY SOUND OR LOOK **FUNNY**.

Her hat has a fancy ornament called a **doodad**.



A **hodgepodge** is a big mess.

Chitchat is friendly or idle talk.

Someone who is **namby-pamby** is lacking in strength.

Fiddlesticks means "nonsense."

If you **flabbergast** people, you surprise them.

When you **lollygag**, you while away time.

A loud disturbance is a **hullabaloo**.

A **rapsallion** is a scamp. / **Nitty-gritty** is something essential.

A. Read the words in each row. Cross out one word that does not have a similar meaning to the vocabulary word.

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| 1. hodgepodge | jumble | hogwash | disorder |
| 2. rapsallion | ragtime | rascal | rogue |
| 3. flabbergast | astonish | amaze | flatter |
| 4. namby-pamby | weak | insipid | naughty |
| 5. lollygag | lollipop | fritter | dillydally |
| 6. doodad | gewgaw | doodle | object |
| 7. hullabaloo | commotion | uproar | humor |
| 8. chitchat | chimpanzee | gossip | rumor |

B. Read the words in each row. Write a vocabulary word that means almost the same thing.

- foolishness, rubbish, _____
- important, core, _____

15 WEEK

Building Spelling Skills

Edit for Spelling

Circle the 12 misspelled words below.
Write them correctly on the lines.

Danger Along the Equator

It was kwiet in the jungle. Tomas huddled like a scared animle

in the brush. He had come to this rejun to give a lechure about using

different rainforest plants in medicine. But now he was stranded on

a deserted, unpaved road somewhere near the equator. A tire on his

vehicle was punctured, and the vehicle was stalled on the side of the

road. Tomas had a broken leg, and it was almost dark.

What would hapen next? Only a few travelers had passed him

along the road as he had driven toward the field hospital where he was

to have spoken. Now, if he ever made it to his destination, instead of

speaking, he would be a patient. As the secunds dragged by, Tomas

peered down the road agin and then slipped into unconsciousness.
