

**Grade 7 Vocabulary**

**Word Meanings**

**Week 12**

Directions: Look at the words in the list below. There is a definition and two phrases to help you learn the new vocabulary.

<b>Word</b>	<b>Meaning</b>	<b>Examples</b>
<b>bacteria</b> (noun)	a member of a large single celled microorganism that can cause disease	"wash your hands to remove any bacteria"; "good and bad bacteria"
<b>epidemiological</b> (adjective)	relates to a branch of medicine that deals with disease	"epidemiological study"; "epidemiological evidence"
<b>patrons</b> (noun)	someone who gives support, usually financial, to a cause, person, or organization	"patrons of the college"; "patrons for UNICEF"
<b>constituent</b> (adjective)	elemental, part of a whole, essence	"constituent minerals"; "large constituent"
<b>waterborne</b> (noun)	communicated or spread through contaminated water	"waterborne disease"; "Cholera is a waterborne illness."

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<b>insurmountable</b> (adjective)	unable to overcome	"insurmountable odds"; "an insurmountable problem"
<b>pertinent</b> (adjective)	applicable to a certain matter; relevant; appropriate	"pertinent information"; "pertinent questions"
<b>rampant</b> (adjective)	spreading, uncontrolled, unrestrained (usually unpleasant)	"rampant violence"; "rampant spread of disease"
<b>astounding</b> (adjective)	impressive, notable, amazing, shocking	"an astounding catch"; "astounding amounts"
<b>potable</b> (adjective)	drinkable, safe to drink or consume	"potable water"; "The water was not potable."

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<b>stagnant</b> (adjective)	still, motionless, usually a body of water in a space with no current and an unpleasant smell	"stagnant water in a puddle"; "stagnant ditch"
<b>dysentery</b> (noun)	an infection affecting the intestines that causes severe diarrhea which can result in death	"died of dysentery"; "dysentery from drinking the water"
<b>bouts</b> (noun)	a short time, period, or spell that is intense	"bouts of anger"; "bouts of illness"
<b>sample</b> (noun)	a piece or part of something to show what the whole is like; a specimen	"handwriting sample"; "sample of the virus"
<b>probe</b> (noun)	investigation into an issue	"probe of the cause"; "a probe into"

