

Grade 7 Vocabulary

Use of Vocabulary Words in Context

Week 9

Directions: Read the passage below to better understand the vocabulary words.

Vocabulary Words

famine

brink

battered

succour

deprived

alleviate

fallout

grim

starvation

anticipate

stupendous

destitution

engage

humanitarian

rehabilitate

Hint: When learning new terms, look for context clues to help determine the meaning. If the sentence you find the word in is not helpful, keep reading to see if it can be understood.

Humanitarian Efforts

There are many wonderful causes in the world and the **humanitarian** efforts of generous people are what offer to **alleviate** some of the suffering of those who need help. There are efforts to relieve **famine**, handle the **fallout** from war-torn countries, and help end **starvation**. These can be tough causes to help because it always seems there is a **grim** outlook for the areas that seem to stay on the **brink** of **destitution**. There are organizations that make it a mission to go into **deprived** areas and **engage** with locals to understand what form of **succour** will be most beneficial long term.

Though humanitarian efforts are wonderful, there is no way to truly **anticipate** every future need. Some areas rebuild just in time to be **battered** again by a natural disaster or other unforeseen circumstance. This can be disheartening, but organizations will jump right back in to help **rehabilitate** where possible. This is a **stupendous** example of how well humans can work together to make a real difference. It is something we should all aspire to in our lives.

