

## Grade 7 Vocabulary

### Use of Vocabulary Words in Context

#### Week 15

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

#### Giving an Account

#### Vocabulary Words

burglar

suspect

resorted

flee

downtown

deceased

contradict

detain

seize

accuse

commotion

prowling

curb

ornaments

nab

**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.

When an eye witness gives an account, it is not always accurate. This is because in a stressful situation, we tend to see what we believe to be true, even if it is not what really happened. At times, facts come out that **contradict** what witnesses say. The **suspect** will also give their account and try to **accuse** someone else in many cases. This is something many have **resorted** to last minute.

For example, one known **burglar** was **downtown** and caught trying to **flee** the scene of a robbery. The robbery occurred when the family of a **deceased** man left their house unattended during a funeral. The burglar had been **prowling** in the area for some time and decided to **nab** what he could before the family returned. He did not know the family had a dog that would cause a **commotion** when he was in the house. He tried to run away, but the neighbor was able to **seize** the burglar when he jumped a shared fence. The neighbor tried to have police **detain** him, but they saw no cause.

The funny part was that the burglar said he had just been walking by and saw an open door so he went to shut it, but the dog scared him so he ran. He thought this story would work, but when he got up, two tiny unique **ornaments** fell from his pocket and were immediately recognized by the family. The burglar was arrested and other items found. Hopefully some time in jail will **curb** his illegal behavior.

