

Grade 7 Vocabulary

Word Meanings

Week 30

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

Word	Meaning	Examples
exhilarating (adjective)	to make one elated or happy; thrilling	"an exhilarating moment"; "exhilarating experience"
backchecking (verb)	rushing to the defensive zone to attack an opponent by being close behind them and trying to take the puck	"great at backchecking"; "backchecking a player"
puck (noun)	black, hard rubber disk for ice hockey	"stole the puck"; "shot the puck"
boards (noun)	low walls that form the boundary of the ice hockey rink	"stand along the boards"; "ran into the boards"
body checking (verb)	defensive move when a player uses his body to obstruct the puck and try to take it	"no body checking is allowed"; "body checking the captain"

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breakaway (noun)	situation in hockey where a player has no defenders between him and the goal except the goaltender	"created a breakaway"; "breakaway just before the buzzer"
penalty (noun)	a punishment imposed sending a player to the penalty box	"caused a penalty"; "five minute penalty"
bandied (verb)	to pass back and forth	"bandied the puck"; "bandied during practice"
clipping (verb)	hitting an opposing player at or below the knee, causes a penalty	"clipping the rival"; "penalty for clipping"
enforcer (noun)	unofficial role as a tough guy or goon who plays dirty	"the enforcer of the team". "the enforcer got a penalty"

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misconduct (noun)	a penalty that involves removing a player for ten minutes with immediate substitution until play is stopped again	"penalized for misconduct"; "called for misconduct"
nifty (adjective)	skillful, capable, agile	"nifty stickwork"; "nifty player"
defenseman (noun)	a player position whose primary responsibility is to prevent the other team from scoring	"played as a defenseman"; "defenseman on the league"
rebound (noun)	a puck that remains in play after a save by a goalie	"took the puck after a rebound"; "rebound on the shot"
playoff (noun)	top teams competing for overall winner in a tournament	"playoff champion"; "in the playoff"

