

5 Minutes Vocabulary

Day 15

SUPPLE

(adj.) bending and moving easily and gracefully; flexible

Syn: limber, nimble, lissom, flexible, workable, malleable, stretchy,

Atn: stiff, unfit, rigid, inflexible



Exp: Play-Doh is supple and easy for young kids to mould into many different shapes.

FOIBLE

(noun) a minor weakness or eccentricity in someone's character

Syn: weakness, weak point, failing, shortcoming, flaw, imperfection, defect, frailty, infirmity,

Atn:advantage, normality, strength strong point, perfection

Exp: Helen's uncontrollable temper is a **foible** that is bound to get her into trouble one day.



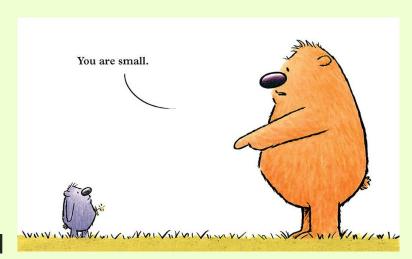
DIMINUTIVE

(adj.) extremely or unusually small

Syn: tiny, small, little, petite, minute, miniature, compact

Atn: Big, enormous, giant, immense, large, huge

Exp: Despite its size, the **diminutive** robot was able to lift over three hundred pounds.



CASTIGATE

(verb) reprimand (someone) severely

Syn: reprimand, rebuke, admonish, chastise, chide, upbraid, reprove, reproach, scold,

Atn: approve, flatter, praise, laud

Exp: My mother was a cruel woman who never missed an opportunity to **castigate** my father.



PERSPICACIOUS

(adj) having a ready insight into and understanding of things

Syn: discerning, shrewd, perceptive, astute, penetrating, observant, percipient

Atn: ignorant, unobservant, unperceptive, inattentive, dull, stupid

Exp: Many **perspicacious** investors sold their tech stocks long before the market crashed.



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