

Esperanza Rising

VOCABULARY

Mexico - Papayas	Student-friendly definition
admire p. 6	when you respect and look up to someone
anticipate p. 8	when you expect something to happen soon
cautious p. 9	when someone is careful to avoid danger or mistakes
premonition p. 9	when you have a feeling something will happen before it does
superstition p. 10	when you believe certain acts bring good or bad luck
sympathy p. 12	when you feel sorry for someone else's trouble
stubborn p. 21	when someone refuses to change their mind
dwindle p. 21	when something slowly grows smaller or fades
anguish p. 23	when you feel very deep pain or suffering
murmur p. 26	when you speak in a low, soft voice
tremble p. 28	when you shake because you are afraid or cold
wistful p. 28	when you feel a quiet, sad longing for something
transform p. 29	when someone or something changes completely
grieve p. 29	when you feel deep sadness after a loss
indignation p. 30	when you feel anger about something that is unfair

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customary p. 30	when something is usually done as a habit or tradition
deliberate p. 31	when you do something slowly and on purpose
generous p. 32	when someone gives more than is expected
determine p. 36	when someone has firmly made up their mind to do something
reputation p. 36	when people hold a certain opinion of who you are
resent p. 37	when you feel bitter anger about something unfair to you

Figs - Cantalopes	Student-friendly definition
hesitate p. 39	when you pause because you are not sure what to do
forgive p. 45	when you stop feeling angry at someone for what they did
reluctant p. 59	when someone does not want to do something
startle p. 63	when you are suddenly surprised or frightened
mesmerize p. 64	when you are so interested you cannot look away
privilege p. 64	when someone has advantages others do not
gratitude p. 67	when you feel thankful for something
weary p. 73	when someone is very tired
desperate p. 90	when you feel you will do anything because things seem hopeless

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Onions - Potatoes	Student-friendly definition
solemn p. 102	when someone is very serious and grave
gingerly p. 114	when you do something in a slow, careful way
humiliate p. 117	when you feel deeply ashamed in front of others
ridicule p. 117	when you make fun of someone in a hurtful way
makeshift p. 124	when something is made quickly from whatever is available
accustom p. 126	when you are used to something
exhaust p. 143	when someone is completely worn out
preoccupy p. 145	when your mind is so busy you notice little else
frantic p. 145	when you act wildly because you are afraid or rushed
yearn p. 175	when you want something very deeply

Avocados - Grapes	Student-friendly definition
susceptible p. 183	when someone is easily harmed or affected by something
peculiar p. 189	when something is strange or unusual
impulsive p. 189	when you act suddenly without stopping to think
menace p. 200	when someone or something seems threatening
confront p. 222	when you face someone about a problem directly
marvel p. 234	when you are filled with wonder

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Avocadoes - Grapes	Student-friendly definition
infuriate p. 244	when someone is made extremely angry
skeptical p. 256	when you doubt that something is true