

The Wild Robot

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Chapters 1 - 15	Student-friendly definition
chaos p. 1	when everything is wild, confused, and out of control
transport p. 2	when you carry something from one place to another
glisten p. 3	when you shine and sparkle because you are wet or smooth
cautious p. 5	when you are careful and try to avoid danger or mistakes
survive p. 5	when you stay alive through something hard or dangerous
activate p. 7	when you switch something on so it starts working
communicate p. 7	when you share thoughts, feelings, or information with others
program p. 7	when you give a machine a set of instructions to follow
absorb p. 8	when you soak something up and take it in
emotion p. 8	when you feel something strongly, like joy, fear, or anger
restrain p. 8	when you hold something back or keep it under control
linger p. 10	when you stay somewhere longer than you need to
skittish p. 10	when you are nervous and easily startled
engulf p. 11	when something completely covers or swallows you up
function p. 11	when you work the way you are supposed to

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instinct p. 11	when you know how to act without being taught
sensor p. 11	when a machine part picks up light, sound, or movement
survival p. 11	when staying alive is the main thing that matters
methodical p. 14	when you do something in a careful, step-by-step way
technique p. 14	when you use a special, skillful way of doing something
jagged p. 16	when something has a rough, sharp, pointed edge
wilderness p. 16	when land is wild and no people live on it
irregular p. 18	when something is uneven or does not follow a pattern
motionless p. 18	when you stay completely still and do not move
harmless p. 19	when you cannot cause any hurt or damage
artificial p. 19	when something is made by people instead of nature
annoyance p. 20	when you feel bothered or slightly angry
dense p. 21	when something is thick and packed closely together
survey p. 21	when you look carefully over a whole area
teeming p. 23	when a place is full of many moving living things
anchor p. 25	when you hold something firmly in place so it cannot drift
conserve p. 25	when you save something and use it carefully
illuminate p. 25	when you light something up so it can be seen

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nonessential p. 25	when something is not needed and can be left out
fierce p. 26	when you are powerful, intense, and a little scary
frantic p. 28	when you act wild and panicked with worry
helpless p. 28	when you cannot protect or take care of yourself
perch p. 28	when you sit or rest on the edge of something high
shelter p. 28	when you take cover from weather or danger
aftermath p. 30	when you face what is left behind after something bad
devastate p. 31	when something causes terrible damage or sadness
startle p. 32	when you are suddenly surprised or scared

Chapters 16 - 25	Student-friendly definition
peculiar p. 40	when something is strange or unusual
camouflage p. 41	when you hide by blending in with what is around you
observation p. 46	when you watch something closely and notice details
fragile p. 59	when something breaks or gets hurt very easily

Chapters 26 - 43	Student-friendly definition
performer p. 63	when you entertain others by acting, singing, or showing off
mimic p. 66	when you copy the sounds or actions of someone else

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orphan p. 74	when you are left without parents to care for you
adopt p. 76	when you take in someone and raise them as your own
gnaw p. 98	when you chew on something over and over
gradually p. 103	when something happens slowly, little by little
gratitude p. 103	when you feel thankful for something
protective p. 111	when you try to keep someone safe from harm

Chapters 44 - 61	Student-friendly definition
adolescent p. 130	when you are growing from a child into an adult
predator p. 130	when an animal hunts other animals for food
negotiate p. 138	when you talk things over to reach an agreement
sarcasm p. 139	when you say the opposite of what you mean to mock or joke
furious p. 141	when you are extremely angry
intimidate p. 141	when you feel scared or small next to something powerful
forgiveness p. 146	when you stop being angry at someone for a wrong
procession p. 147	when a group moves along together in a line
durable p. 150	when something is tough and lasts a long time
modification p. 151	when you make a change to improve something

Chapters 44 - 61	Student-friendly definition
nimble p. 152	when you move quickly and lightly with ease
indestructible p. 153	when something is impossible to break or destroy
migration p. 164	when animals travel a long way to a seasonal home
vicious p. 178	when you are cruel and dangerously fierce
eerie p. 185	when something is strange in a way that feels spooky
murmur p. 185	when you speak in a soft, low voice
hesitate p. 186	when you pause because you are unsure
avalanche p. 187	when a huge mass of snow slides fast down a mountain
harmonious p. 188	when people or things get along in a peaceful way
famine p. 191	when there is so little food that living things starve
scavenge p. 192	when you search for food or useful things others left behind
nourish p. 195	when you give a living thing the food it needs to grow
nuisance p. 196	when someone or something keeps bothering you
barren p. 200	when land is empty and nothing can grow on it

Chapters 62 - 80	Student-friendly definition
forge p. 212	when you build something strong, like a bond or friendship
cluster p. 216	when things gather closely together in a group

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dwindle p. 220	when something slowly shrinks and gets smaller
smoldering p. 220	when something burns slowly with smoke but no flames
commence p. 227	when you begin or start something
deactivate p. 227	when you switch something off so it stops working
refurbish p. 227	when you fix something up to make it like new again
stampede p. 243	when a group rushes forward wildly all at once
quake p. 244	when the ground shakes hard
relentless p. 246	when something never stops or eases up
mangled p. 257	when something is crushed and badly torn apart
tremble p. 257	when you shake because of fear, cold, or weakness
frail p. 261	when you are weak and easily hurt