

Y5 Autumn Term Vocabulary List

HISTORY – Year 5 Archaeologist Vocabulary List

Word	Meaning
afterlife	Life after death
amulet	A trinket or piece of jewellery usually hung about the neck and thought to be a magical protection against evil or disease
canopic jar/vase	A jar used in ancient Egypt to contain entrails of an embalmed body
cartouche	A cartridge (usually with paper casing)
delta	1. The 4th letter of the Greek alphabet 2. A low triangular area of alluvial deposits where a river divides before entering a larger body of water
dynasty	A sequence of powerful leaders in the same family
succession	A group of people or things arranged or following in order
Egyptologist	An archaeologist who specializes in Egyptology
hieroglyphics	A writing system using picture symbols used in ancient Egypt
inundation	An overwhelming number or amount
pharaoh	The title of the ancient Egyptian kings
inscription	The activity of inscribing (especially carving or engraving) letters or words
scribe	Someone employed to make written copies of documents and manuscripts
vizier	A high official in a Muslim government (especially in the Ottoman Empire)
official	A worker who holds or is invested with an office.
polytheism	The belief in multiple gods
ankh	A tau cross with an oval loop at the top
obelisk	A stone pillar having a rectangular cross section tapering towards a pyramidal top

papyrus	Paper made from the papyrus plant by cutting it in strips and pressing it flat
pyramid	A polyhedron having a polygonal base and triangular sides with a common vertex
architecture	The profession of designing buildings and environments with consideration for their aesthetic effect.
sarcophagus	A stone coffin (usually bearing sculpture or inscriptions)
symbol	Something visible that by association or convention represents something else that is invisible
kingdom	The domain ruled by a king or queen
mummification	Embalming and drying a dead body and wrapping it as a mummy
preserved	Kept intact or in a particular condition
embalm	To preserve a dead body
tomb	A place for the burial of a corpse (especially beneath the ground and marked by a tombstone)
civilisation	A society in an advanced state of social development (e.g., with complex legal and political and religious organizations)
expansion	The act of increasing (something) in size or volume or quantity or scope
ritual	The prescribed procedure for conducting religious ceremonies
treasure	Any possession that is highly valued by its owner A collection of precious things
cartouche	A cartridge (usually with paper casing)
culture	All the knowledge and values shared by a society
mythology	Myths collectively; the body of stories associated with a culture or institution or person

GEOGRAPHY – Year 5 Vocabulary List

Word	Meaning
compass	A compass is an instrument used for navigation and orientation that shows direction in relation to the earth
source	the place where something begins, where it springs into being
key	something crucial for explaining
plot	a small area of ground covered by specific vegetation
grid	a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines
range	a variety of different things or activities
latitude	is a geographic coordinate used to indicate the distance an object is from the equator, measured from north to south horizontally, ranges from 0m at the Equator to 90m
longitude	the distance of a place east or west of an imaginary line between the North Pole and the South Pole, measured in degrees (vertical)
axis	a straight line through a body or figure that satisfies certain conditions
northern	situated in or oriented toward the north
southern	situated in or oriented toward the south
tropic	either of two parallels of latitude about 23.5 degrees to the north and south of the equator representing the points farthest north and south at which the sun can shine directly overhead and constituting the boundaries of the Torrid Zone or tropics
hemisphere	half of the terrestrial globe
equator	a circle dividing a sphere or other surface into two usually equal and symmetrical parts
landmark	the position of a prominent or well-known object in a particular landscape

MATHEMATICS – Y5 Vocabulary List

Word	Meaning
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value	The regard that something is held to deserve; the importance, worth, or usefulness of something
digit	Any of the numerals from 0 to 9, especially when forming part of a number
numeral	A symbol used to represent a number.
linear	Progressing from one stage to another in a single series of steps; sequential. Arranged in or extending along a straight or nearly straight line.
sequence	A set of related events, movements, or items that follow each other in a particular order.
prime	A number that is divisible only by itself and 1
squared	The product of a number multiplied by itself
cubed	the product of a number multiplied by its square, represented by a superscript figure 3
multiple	A quantity obtained by multiplication. The product of a quantity by an integer when something exists in multiple forms
mixed number fraction	A number consisting of an integer and a proper fraction
improper fraction	An Improper Fraction has a top number larger than (or equal to) the bottom number.
percentage	A rate, number, or amount in each hundred.
kilo	1000 times the stated unit
centi	A combining form meaning "hundredth" or "hundred," used in the formation of compound words
compound	Made up or consisting of several parts or elements
area	the extent or measurement of a surface or piece of land
perimeter	the continuous line forming the boundary of a closed geometrical figure
cuboid	a solid which has six rectangular faces at right angles to each other
irregular	not even or balanced in shape or arrangement
angle	"space or difference in direction between intersecting lines,"
degree	a unit of measurement for angles
reflex	an angle greater than 180 degrees (but less than 360)
reflection	a transformation in which the direction of one axis is reversed
timetable	a schedule showing the times at which railroad trains,

	airplanes, etc., arrive and depart.
axes	plural of axis
coordinates	any of the magnitudes that serve to define the position of a point, line, or the like, by reference to a fixed figure, system of lines, etc.

RE - Y5 Christianity and Judaism Vocabulary List

Word	Meaning
Jesus	the central figure of the Christian religion
Bible	a copy of the Christian or Jewish scriptures
advent	1. the arrival of a notable person or thing.
cross	Make the sign of the cross in front of one's chest as a sign of Christian reverence or to invoke divine protection.
parable	a simple story used to illustrate a moral or spiritual lesson, as told by Jesus in the Gospels
disciples	a follower or pupil of a teacher, leader, or philosopher
Mary	Mother of Jesus; known as the (Blessed) Virgin Mary, or St Mary, or Our Lady. According to the Gospels she was a virgin betrothed to Joseph and conceived Jesus by the power of the Holy Spirit
church	building used for public Christian worship
Christian	based on the person and teachings of Jesus Christ, or its beliefs and practices.
Bethlehem	a small town 8 km (5 miles) south of Jerusalem, in the West Bank
Joseph	a Hebrew patriarch, son of Jacob
commercial	To make a profit
Palm Sunday	the Sunday before Easter
Easter	the most important and oldest festival of the Christian Church, celebrating the resurrection of Christ
Good Friday	the Friday before Easter Sunday
Jerusalem	the holy city of the Jews, sacred also to Christians and Muslims
Lent	past and past participle of lend.
Judaism	the monotheistic religion of the Jews.
Torah	the monotheistic religion of the Jews.
Abraham	he is ordered by God to sacrifice his son Isaac as a test of faith, a command later revoked

Shabbat	The word is invariably linked to the seventh day after the six days of creation, and that is how we see it used in the Old Testament
Pesach	Jewish term for the Passover festival
Yom Kippur	Day of Atonement and concept of forgiveness.
Menorah	a sacred candelabrum with seven branches used in the ancient temple in Jerusalem.
synagogue	a building in which Jews meet for religious worship or instruction.
Rabbi	a Jewish scholar or teacher, especially one who studies or teaches Jewish law.
Jewish	relating to, associated with, or denoting Jews or Judaism.
Israelites	a member of the ancient Hebrew nation, especially in the period from the Exodus to the Babylonian Captivity
covenant	An agreement.
commandments	a divine rule, especially one of the Ten Commandments
Hebrew	member of an ancient people living in what is now Israel and Palestine and, according to biblical tradition,
exodus	a mass departure of people
Passover	the major Jewish spring festival which commemorates the liberation of the Israelites from Egyptian slavery, lasting seven or eight days from the 15th day of Nisan.

SCIENCE – Year 5 Material and their Properties Unit Vocabulary List

Word	Meaning
enquiry	the act of enquiring or of seeking information by questioning; interrogation.
equipment	the act of equipping a person or thing

measure	to ascertain the extent, dimensions, quantity, capacity, etc., of, especially by comparison with a standard
record	to set down in writing or the like, as for the purpose of preserving evidence.
classify	to assign a classification to (information, a document, etc.)
data	individual facts, statistics, or items of information
diagram	a drawing or plan that outlines and explains the parts, operation, etc., of something:
conclusion	from Latin <i>conclusionem</i> (nominative <i>conclusio</i>), noun of action from past-participle stem of <i>concludere</i> "to shut up, enclose"
predict	to declare or tell in advance; prophesy; foretell:
evidence	that which tends to prove or disprove something; ground for belief; proof.
compare	to examine (two or more objects, ideas, people, etc.) in order to note similarities and differences
evaluation	action of appraising or valuing
transparency	the quality or state of being transparent
permeable	capable of being permeated
absorb	to suck up or drink in (a liquid); soak up
dissolve	to make a solution of, as by mixing with a liquid; pass into solution
soluble	capable of being dissolved or liquefied
evaporate	to change from a liquid or solid state into vapour; pass off in vapour.
precipitate	to separate from a solution as a precipitate
condense	to reduce to another and denser form, as a gas or vapour to a liquid or solid state.