

# VOCABULARY CONNECTIONS RESOURCES

## Important Words to Know and Understand in Those Darn Squirrels! Word List

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**Those Darn Squirrels!**  
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**Clamps**  
Tools that hold things tightly together

**Cleverest**  
Very smart and quick at figuring things out

**Determined**  
Not giving up, even when something is hard

**Devise**  
To think of or make a plan

**Fortress**  
A strong building that protects people inside

**Spectacular**  
Very exciting, amazing, or impressive to see

**Stockpile**  
A big supply of something that's saved to use later

**Strategy**  
A smart plan to help you reach a goal

**Trapeze**  
A bar hanging from ropes that people swing on in the circus







**Veritable**  
Really or truly (used to show something is exactly what it seems)

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<b>Devise is a/an</b> noun verb adverb adjective	<b>Fortress is a/an</b> noun verb adverb adjective	<b>Spectacular is a/an</b> noun verb adverb adjective
Definition of Devise:	Definition of Fortress:	Definition of Spectacular:
Devise looks like this:	Fortress looks like this:	Spectacular looks like this:
Devise reminds me of:	Fortress reminds me of:	Spectacular reminds me of:
I saw this word in	I saw this word in	I saw this word in

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**Word Games with Words from Those Darn Squirrels!**

**Squirrel Match**  
Directions: Match the vocabulary word to how the squirrels might use it. Write the matching letter (A-J) on the blank next to each vocabulary word.

- Clamps \_\_\_\_\_
- Cleverest \_\_\_\_\_
- Determined \_\_\_\_\_
- Devise \_\_\_\_\_
- Fortress \_\_\_\_\_
- Spectacular \_\_\_\_\_
- Stockpile \_\_\_\_\_
- Strategy \_\_\_\_\_
- Trapeze \_\_\_\_\_
- Veritable \_\_\_\_\_

**Vocabulary Detective**  
Directions: Circle the correct word that fits best in each sentence.

- The squirrels made a (stockpile / strategy) of nuts.
- The fireworks were (veritable / spectacular).
- Mr. Fookwire built a (fortress / trapeze) to stop the squirrels.
- The man used (clamps / cleverest) to hold the wood.
- Rosa was (determined / devise) to finish her puzzle.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Word Games and Answer Key

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A new word word I learned in this book is: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Vocabulary Word Extension Activities

**Vocabulary Connections**

**Directions:**

- Write a word from your reading that is new to you in the first column.
- Read the sentence before and after the sentence where the word appears. Write what you think the word means in the second column.
- Explain why you think your definition makes sense based on the context clues in the text.
- Write the dictionary definition.
- Place a check mark in the last column if the dictionary definition matches what you thought the word meant.

Word	What I Think the Word Means	Context Clues	Real Definition	✓

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