Word Workout

WORDS TO KNOW
border  boycotts  opportunities  strikes
unions  citizen  overhead

Picket Line Suppose you are new to this country and believe people are not paying you well for your work. For each word above, we’ll decide how we can make a picket sign using the word.

SPELLING WORDS
rush  northern  brush  whole
shed  thanks  washer  photo
graph  fifth  these  whisk
thirty  bother  phrase  shove
headphone  width  nowhere  whirl

Speed Spelling Let’s see how many words you can spell in one minute. I’ll give you the words. At the end of a minute, let’s see how many words you spelled correctly. Want to do it again?

Dear Family Member:

Maria is afraid of what her new life will be like, and she is sad about the loved ones she will leave behind in Mexico. In My Diary, from Here to There, I’m reading Maria’s diary. When she and her friend braid each other’s hair in the park, I can tell how much her friend means to her. There is so much more information in a book than what is written on the pages.

This Week’s Skills

Comprehension: make inferences
Vocabulary: word origins
Spelling/Phonics: words with the letters th, sh, wh, and phs

Name ________________________________
Where Did It Come From?

Where do words come from? Read the words in the box. Use the clues to make inferences about what each word’s origin is. Choose the correct word from the box and write it on the line.

denim  frankfurters  cereal
sophomore  window

- Sidewalk carts sell tasty sausages on the streets of Frankfurt, Germany. These delicious sausages became known as ___________.

- Ceres was the Roman goddess who protected food crops. Romans offered wheat and grains to her. The wheat and grains became known as ________.

- This word originated in the Old Norse language. The Norse word is *vindaugga*, which means “wind’s eye.” The word is ___________.

- This blue fabric from which jeans are made originated in Nimes, France. It was called fabric “de Nimes” (fabric from Nimes). The word is ___________.

- This word is a combination of two Greek words, *soph* which means “wise” and *moros* which means “foolish.” The word is ___________.

Loopy Crunch