

Word Wall – January

Metabolism: the chemical processes that occur within a living organism in order to maintain life; for example, the chemical process in the body that changes food into energy.

Impairment: an injury or weakness; for example, the small children that Kennedy was referring to suffered from eye defects, and that was their impairment.

Impetus: the force that makes something happen or happen more quickly; the driving force or motivation behind an action.

Tedious: too long, slow, dull, or boring; tiresome or monotonous.

Host: a large number of people or things; a host of people or a host of angels.

Substantial: of considerable importance, size, or worth; substantial benefits or substantial amount of cash.

Profound: very great or intense; deep; profound impact or profound influence.

Diplomat: a person appointed by a government to interact with other countries; an official representing a country abroad.

Sustain: to remain in existence, maintain; strengthen or support physically or mentally.

Steward: a person who looks after something or someone; a person who supervises or manages something; we must be good stewards of our oceans.

Exploit: to make full use of and derive benefit from (a resource: person or thing) selfishly; we have exploited and polluted our oceans.

Endurance: perseverance or the ability to last through a difficult process; the strength to tolerate or put up with something.

Surveillance: close observation, especially of a suspected spy or criminal; government surveillance of a criminal; surveillance cameras at the store.

Legitimate: conforming to the laws or rules; genuinely good; the real deal.