

## **Test Taking Vocabulary Word of the Week**

The vocabulary word and definition can be found on the back of this handout. You may want to post it in your room to refer to and to review with.

**ILLUSTRATE** (illustration): pictures, to fully explain something

### **Examples to Share with Your Class:**

1. The *illustrations* in the book, *The Tale of Despereaux* are in black and white.
2. Jessica wrote and *illustrated* a story for her little sister.
3. The book about the moon had *illustrations* of craters.
4. A chapter book has fewer *illustrations* than a picture book.
5. When we were working on the comprehension strategy of visualization our teacher asked us to *illustrate*, or sketch, our thinking.
6. Amanda made a chart to illustrate the water cycle for a class project.
7. I chose my library book because of the colorful *illustrations*.
8. The first graders *illustrated* an addition problem using sets of cubes.

### **Teaching Ideas:**

1. Wordless Picture Books: Have students work in small groups of four. Give each group a wordless picture book. The students will tell the story they see happening in the *illustrations* by passing the book around the group and taking turns as the pages are turned. Extensions: Each group will summarize the story on chart paper to share with the class or each person will write text to go with an assigned page.
2. Use a pictograph to *illustrate* the results of data collection.
3. Tessellations can be used to teach and *illustrate* regular polygons, translations, reflections, angles, vertices, etc.
4. Remove the text from a cartoon strip and cut the frames apart. Have the students sequence the events just from looking at the *illustrations*.

Synonyms: demonstrate, show, picture, diagram, figure, image, photo, visual, graphic, design