

Test Taking Vocabulary Word of the Week

MOST LIKELY-a good chance it will happen

Examples to Share with Your Class:

1. The weather man said there was high pressure over Utah and so it would **most likely** be sunny today.
2. It is **most likely** we will eat turkey for Thanksgiving dinner.
3. My mom will **most likely** make me do my homework before I can play with my friends after school.
4. Because it is raining, we will **most likely** have an inside recess day.
5. The undefeated football team will **most likely** win the last game of the season.
6. John thought his parents would **most likely** buy a new car after the old one was totaled in a wreck.
7. My friend asked me which store would **most likely** have the best selection of running shoes.
8. I studied hard for the science test, so **most likely** I will get a good grade.

Teaching Ideas:

- The comprehension strategy of prediction fits nicely with the vocabulary phrase- “most likely”. When prompting your students to make reasonable predictions say, “*What do you predict will most likely happen next?*”
- Read a picture book aloud to your students with the title covered. Give three title choices (one being the correct title) and ask, “*Which of these titles is most likely the real title?*”
- In math, probability and the phrase “most likely” go hand in hand. There are several probability examples on the bulletin board; however using hands on examples in your classroom will be more effective.

Synonyms- possible, expected, probably, apparent, presumably, obviously, apt, conceivable, promising, seeming certain.

Antonyms- improbable, not likely, uncertain, unexpected, “slim chance”, unlikely, rarely, “long shot”