

# Touching Spirit Bear

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## Power Vocabulary Activity



L W I T F I H S E K A M H A  
A C K N O W L E D G E T I S  
N I E G T C O L L A P S E G  
D F N L A E D I G I R F E E  
S R R N E R N V E Y S T A N  
C A B R O B O T N I A C T E  
A N R E N C R U I R K N T R  
P T A C A U E A T O M E E A  
E I G A F O M N T I N R M T  
C C O L L E E B T I N C P I  
R E F L E C T I O N O E T O  
H A M P N M E M O R Y N U N  
C L A O U F E A R L E S S O  
T Y C O M M O T I O N O X G

**Directions:** For each vocabulary word below, circle it in the letter grid above—up and down, across, backwards or diagonally. Going across each row starting at the top left, place each unused letter on a blank until you reveal the hidden message.

ACKNOWLEDGE	COMMOTION	GENERATION	MEMORY
ATTEMPT	CONCENTRATE	INNOCENT	NUMB
BRAG	FEARLESS	INTENTION	RECALL
CELEBRATION	FRANTIC	LANDSCAPE	REFLECTION
COLLAPSE	FRIGID	MAKESHIFT	ROUTINE

### Hidden Message:

WHAT IS GARVEY'S NICKNAME FOR COLE?  
CHAMP

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Crossword puzzle grid with the following words filled in:

- 1. C O U M B
- 2. N U M B
- 3. A T T
- 4. M A K
- 5. C
- 6. R O U T I
- 7. A C K N O W L E D G E
- 8. E L L
- 9. I N T
- 10. R E C A L L
- 11. F R I
- 12. R E F L E C T I O N
- 13. F E A R L E S S
- 14. F R A N T I C
- 15. L A D S C A P
- 16. B
- 17. C O M M O T I O N
- 18. E N
- 19. G E N E R A T I O N
- 20. I N N O C E N T

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### Across

- unable to feel anything, or unable to move
- to show that you have seen and recognized somebody
- to remember something
- the production of an image by or as if by a mirror
- very brave and not afraid
- wildly excited by worry or fear
- a lot of noisy, excited activity
- all the people born around the same time
- not knowing about something

### Down

- to focus your thoughts and attention on something
- the act or an instance of making an effort to do, accomplish, solve, or effect
- a usually quick and temporary expedient
- to fall down suddenly from weakness or illness
- a regular way or pattern of doing things
- a joyous ceremony or gathering, usually to mark a major event
- a thing that you mean to do
- extremely cold

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**Directions:** For each vocabulary word in the left column, locate its definition in the right column. Write the number of the correct definition in the blank before the word.

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| <u>10</u> acknowledge | 1. very brave and not afraid   |
| <u>19</u> attempt     | 2. extremely cold  |
| <u>7</u> brag         | 3. a usually quick and temporary expedient   |
| <u>12</u> celebration | 4. something that you remember from the past                                       |
| <u>15</u> collapse    | 5. to remember something   |
| <u>14</u> commotion   | 6. not knowing about something   |
| <u>8</u> concentrate  | 7. to talk in a boastful way about how good you are at something                   |
| <u>1</u> fearless     | 8. to focus your thoughts and attention on something                               |
| <u>11</u> frantic     | 9. the production of an image by or as if by a mirror                              |
| <u>2</u> frigid       | 10. to show that you have seen and recognized somebody                             |
| <u>18</u> generation  | 11. wildly excited by worry or fear  |
| <u>6</u> innocent     | 12. a joyous ceremony or gathering, usually to mark a major event                  |
| <u>17</u> intention   | 13. a large area of land that you can view from one place                          |
| <u>13</u> landscape   | 14. a lot of noisy, excited activity   |
| <u>3</u> makeshift    | 15. to fall down suddenly from weakness or illness                                 |
| <u>4</u> memory       | 16. unable to feel anything, or unable to move                                     |
| <u>16</u> numb        | 17. a thing that you mean to do  |
| <u>5</u> recall       | 18. all the people born around the same time                                       |
| <u>9</u> reflection   | 19. the act or an instance of making an effort to do, accomplish, solve, or effect |
| <u>20</u> routine     | 20. a regular way or pattern of doing things                                       |

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**Directions:** Now that you have completed *Touching Spirit Bear*, it's time to see if you can use the Power Vocabulary Words you learned while reading this book. Look at each of the sentences below and fill in the Power Vocabulary Word that would best complete the sentence.

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1. George grew up poor, and never really had anything to **brag** about.
2. Her **intention** was to help her mother with the gardening after school, but she decided to take a nap instead.
3. Alan did not **recall** giving Jill the key, but she had it, so he must have just forgotten that he did it.
4. The **frigid** popsicle soothed the child's cut lip.
5. Sam left a **frantic** message on his mother's answering machine, telling her that he had just been in a car accident and needed her help.
6. The wedding **celebration** went late into the night because everyone was having such a good time that they didn't want to leave.
7. Whenever Alex pulled a muscle in his back, his leg would become **numb** and her would have trouble walking.
8. Even though they did not receive their regular delivery that day, they tried to stick to their usual **routine** as much as possible.
9. "Down here you don't have a good view," he said, "but on the hill you can see the whole **landscape** of the valley."
10. People ran from the buildings as they started to **collapse**.
11. The **makeshift** shelter lasted only long enough to protect the campers from the rain.
12. The women of her grandmother's **generation** rarely had jobs outside the home.
13. Her favorite **memory** from summer vacation was horseback riding.
14. It was difficult for the children to **concentrate** on their schoolwork while the other class was playing outside their window.
15. She was startled when she looked up at the **reflection** in the mirror and saw someone standing behind her.

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16. The lion tamer seemed to be fearless when he performed, but he had the proper respect for the wild animal and was aware that the lion could seriously hurt him.
17. Annie's mother told her that in order to be polite, she must acknowledge all of the guests at her birthday party.
18. The magician's attempt to pull a rabbit out of his hat had the whole audience waiting in anticipation.
19. Her innocent smile made her look like she was much younger than her actual age.
20. There was commotion in the theater before the show started, but everyone got quiet when the curtain was raised.