



## ***School Libraries in Action***

### **Literature Circles – Word Wizard**

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# Word Wizard

## Word Wizard's Role

1. Choose 3 new words from your reading assignment.
2. Find the definition of each word.
3. Work out why each word is used in that paragraph.
4. What other words could be used? List a few synonyms for the word you chose.
5. Be prepared to teach the words to your Circle members. To do this, read the sentence from the book and discuss the meaning of the word.

## Tips for Word Wizards

You could look for words of groups of words that:

- ☺ Have unusual spelling
- ☺ Are puzzling or different
- ☺ Are tricky to pronounce or in a foreign language
- ☺ Remind you of something or someone you know
- ☺ Have the same sound or letter pattern
- ☺ Help you see pictures in your head (this is symbolism)
- ☺ You have not seen before

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