



# A Wrinkle in Time

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## The Power of Words

*A Wrinkle in Time* explores the adventures of an extraordinary family. Of all the Murry children perhaps the most extraordinary is young Charles Wallace, a five-year-old boy of very high intelligence. One of the things that makes Charles Wallace so smart is his large vocabulary. Bigger than many adults, his vocabulary grows because he adds a “new word for the day.”

Like Charles Wallace, the author also uses some pretty big words in this novel. Rather than speak down to children, Madeleine L'Engle assumes that kids are capable of learning far more than adults sometimes give them credit for.

Why not commit to learning your own “new word for the day” by studying the vocabulary used in this book. To begin, try reading the passage in which the word is used to see if you

can guess what it means. Write down your guess based on the sentence in which it is used. Then, look the word up in a dictionary and write the actual definition down beside your own. How close were you?

Prodigious (page 16)

Gamboled (page 45)

Dappled (page 57)

Ephemeral (page 70)

Bilious (page 128)

Pedantic (page 153)

Trepidation (page 195)

Tractable (page 33)

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Inexorable (page 66)

Sonorous (page 96)

Chortling (page 137)

Dais (page 174)

Gorge (page 207)

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