



Fifth Grade Parent Newsletter #7

This week we are reading “Passage to Freedom” by Ken Mochizuki. Our reading skill focus will be determining the author’s purpose for writing this text. Our grammar focus will be possessive nouns.

We will focus on some vocabulary words in this story. It would be helpful if you will reinforce the meaning of these words at home with your child. Please practice these words at home as well. Remember that this is a guide of what the word means. This is not the only definition for it!

Let’s have a great week!

Vocabulary Word	Meaning
agreement	harmony in feeling or opinion
cable	message sent through wires by electric current; also called a telegram
diplomat	person whose work is to manage relations between nations
issue	to send out; put forth
refugees	people who flee to another country for safety
representatives	people appointed or elected to act or speak for others
superiors	people who are higher in rank or position
visa	official signature or endorsement upon passport or document, showing it has been examined and approved

staffs
chiefs
quizzes
chefs

ourselves
buffaloes
sheriffs
pianos

pants
flamingos
dominoes

scissors
beliefs
thieves

loaves
echoes
measles

volcanoes
shelves
avocados

bailiffs

mosquitoes

desperadoes wharves

armadillos