

About Parenting News -- **UPDATE**

Theme: *Celebrations* (week 1)



This week's WordUp word is SIGNIFICANT. Here are 2 *more* ways to give your child opportunities to hear and use this abstract word.

- *If someone wanted to paint the apartment door orange, that wouldn't be a very big deal, but if someone wanted to paint the whole outside of the apartment building orange, that would be a **SIGNIFICANT** change. How could we make a **SIGNIFICANT** change to this room with one bucket of paint?*
- *Something that's **INSIGNIFICANT** is something that is not **SIGNIFICANT**, it isn't important enough to worry about or notice. The **IN** at the beginning is a prefix that means **NOT**. If you got an **INSIGNIFICANT** amount of homework, it might only take a little bit of time. Do you prefer to have a **SIGNIFICANT** amount of homework to do, or an **INSIGNIFICANT** amount?*
 - *Remind your child that **SIGNIFICANT** means something important that people give attention to, or a large amount of something that people would notice.*

How else can you build your child's reading skills through TALK?

Try these questions taken from different TalkOn age groups this week:

- *Wilma's wedding was wonderful! All those words begin with the same /w/ sound and the letter W. Let's say that sentence together and listen for that /w/ sound. Can we think of other words that begin with the /w/ sound and the letter W? (e.g., wizard, wing, winter)*
- *Do you like to get presents wrapped or unwrapped? The **un** at the beginning of **unwrapped** means not, so an **unwrapped** gift is not wrapped. Why do you think people wrap gifts anyway?*
- *In many cultures, a baby's first birthday is a big event. Do you think a first birthday celebration is more fun for the parents or the baby? Why do you think so?*
- *Is it okay to change your mind about going to a party when you already told the hosts that you would go? How do you think people feel when you don't come?*

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