

A yellow speech bubble with a tail pointing towards the bottom-left, set against a dark blue background.

**Word of the Week**

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# Erudition

(noun)

Are you familiar with this word?

What does it mean?

Can you use it in a sentence?

Word of the Week

What do you  
think our word of  
the week might  
mean?



## Word of the Week

Let's see if we can work out what it means from looking at its etymology.

# Erudition

From Latin  
*Erudire*

From Latin  
*E-*

Out or away from

From Latin  
*Rudis*

Rude or ignorant

So what does **erudite** mean?  
“**Away from ignorance**”

Word of the Week

**Erudition** (noun)

## Definition

The quality of having or showing great knowledge or learning.

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# Erudition (noun)

The quality of having or showing great knowledge or learning.

## Examples

“Students can demonstrate their **erudition** at the House Quiz this week.”

“The student’s detailed research led to a report that showed great **erudition**.”

“Her **erudition** was clear in her detailed explanation of the historical event.”

“He displayed his **erudition** by quoting passages from ancient texts.”

Can you come up with your own?

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## Synonyms

Learning

Scholarship

Knowledge

Education

Intellect

## Antonyms

Ignorance

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Don't forget that there is an opportunity to show your **erudition** and represent your house at **The Big Fat House Quiz** this Thursday after school in the main hall.

If you haven't already then let your Head of House know if you'd like to be part of the team.



## Word of the Week

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## Task

Add **erudition** to your word of the week record sheet (page 18 of your planner).

Use this time to check you have all of the previous words recorded as well.

## Word of the Week

Week	Word
1	Inception
2	Notation
3	Dignity
4	Oracy
5	Nostalgia
6	Kaleidoscope
7	Equity
8	Tactful
9	Preferential
10	Truism
11	Instil
12	Tendency
13	Substrate

## Record (verb)

To set down in writing for later reference.

“Use this page to **record** each Word of the Week”

Week	Word
21	Inclusion
22	Portmanteau
23	Veracity
24	Conclave
25	Convivial
26	<b>Erudition</b>
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## Word of the Week

# Erudition (noun)

The quality of having or showing great knowledge or learning.

## Challenge

On your mini whiteboard:

- Name someone you know who demonstrates **erudition**
- What do they show **erudition** about?
- How do you know they are **erudite** (how do they show erudition)?

Discuss and share your ideas with your class.



**David Attenborough**  
**The natural world**  
**He has many years of**  
**experience and speaks**  
**with extensive knowledge**