

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

Word of the Week

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Serendipity

(noun)

Are you familiar with this word?

What does it mean?

Can you use it in a sentence?

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Serendipity (noun)

Definition

Finding something positive by chance.

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Serendipity (noun)

Finding something positive by chance.

Examples

“Discovering her lost cat curled up asleep on a stranger’s porch was pure **serendipity** as she had given up hope of ever finding him.”

“Alexander Fleming’s accidental contamination of a petri dish is an example of **serendipity** as it led to the discovery of penicillin.”

“In a moment of **serendipity**, taking a wrong turn led them to discover a wonderful new restaurant.”

Can you come up with your own?

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Synonyms

Chance

Accident

Fluke

Luck

Antonyms

Design

Mischance

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Task

Add **serendipity** 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

Record (verb)
To set down in writing for later reference.

“Use this page to **record** each 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

Week	Word
21	Inclusion
22	Portmanteau
23	Veracity
24	Conclave
25	Convivial
26	Erudition
27	Proclivity
28	Whimsical
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Challenge

Watch the video and the discuss with your partner exactly why Edouard Benedictus' invention of safety glass is an example of **serendipity**.

