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Word of the Week

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Culminate

(verb)

Are you familiar with this word?

What does it mean?

Can you use it in a sentence?

Word of the Week

Culminate (verb)

Before we define the word,
let's listen to a piece of music...

Word of the Week

Culminate (verb)



What happens throughout this piece of music? How does it end?

Word of the Week

Culminate (verb)

Definition

To build up to a final result or reach the highest point.

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Culminate (verb)

To build up to a final result or reach the highest point.

Examples

“The school year **culminates** with sports day and trips.”

“The weekend music festival will **culminate** with a grand fireworks display.”

“Months of hard work **culminated** in a successful product launch.”

Can you come up with your own?

Word of the Week

Culminate (verb)

To build up to a final result or reach the highest point.

Synonyms

Peak	To reach the highest point or level.
Crown	To finish something in a successful or perfect way.
Conclude	To bring something to an end

Antonyms

Begin	To start happening or doing something.
Commence	To officially or formally start.
Initiate	To cause something to start for the first time.

Word of the Week

Task

Add **culminate** 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.

To build

Word of the Week	
“Use this page to record each Word of the Week”	
Week	Word
1	Inaugural
2	Extremophile
3	Sanctity
4	Placate
5	Heritage
6	Empowerment
7	Resilience
8	Empathy
9	Integrity
10	Elaborate
11	Ubiquitous
12	Anticipation
13	Lucrative
14	Resolution
15	Resolution
16	Camaraderie
21	Masquerade
22	Aesthetic
23	Restorative
24	Ramification
25	Consciousness
26	Microaggression
27	Allyship
28	Advocate
29	Reluctant
30	Scrutinise
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Culminate (verb)

To build up to a final result or reach the highest point.

Challenge

Discuss with a partner how you each of these events or scenarios has **culminated**?

What happened to build up to that point and what was the final result?



Word of the Year

2025-26

Word of the Year

Help Us Choose Our St Mark's Word of the Year!

This year, you've explored 31 amazing words, and now it's time to crown our favorite! Which do you think is the most interesting, the most useful, or the most imaginative?

Cast your vote on Google Classroom

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