

VMMS Word of the Week and Idiomatic Expressions in English and Spanish for Q1 2009-2010

Please use the word of the week in all of your classes. Make sure you provide students with a sentence and an example of how to use the word in the context of your subject area. Also, please incorporate the idiomatic expressions into your classroom discussions whenever possible to reinforce correct usage of the expressions.

WEEK	WORD	ENGLISH EXPRESSION	SPANISH EXPRESSION
1	think	<i>Go slow to go fast.</i>	<i>Despacio voy porque de prisa estoy.</i>
2	soar	<i>Birds of a feather flock together.</i>	<i>Cada oveja con su pareja.</i>
3	variable	<i>A stitch in time saves nine.</i>	<i>Una puntada a tiempo ahorra ciento.</i>
4	experimental	<i>Necessity is the mother of invention.</i>	<i>La necesidad hace maestros.</i>
5	creative	<i>Two heads are better than one.</i>	<i>Cuatro ojos ven más que dos.</i>
6	deductive	<i>Think before you speak.</i>	<i>Antes de hablar pensar.</i>
7	inertia	<i>Let sleeping dogs lie.</i>	<i>Al perro que duerme no lo despiertes.</i>
8	modify	<i>There's no time like the present.</i>	<i>No hay tiempo como el presente.</i>
9	equality	<i>Six of one and half a dozen of another</i>	<i>Es igual uno que otro.</i>
10	habitat	<i>The grass is always greener on the other side of the fence.</i>	<i>Nadie está contento con su suerte.</i>

The words and idiomatic expressions for the rest of the year are in the works. As soon as they are ready, we will forward them to you. Thanks!