

## Colorado Kids: Word Bank

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“Coastal kids still living with debris”

**Hurricane Katrina** – the hurricane that pounded the Gulf Coast in America in August 2005. It severely damaged the coasts in Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama. More than 1,300 people died and 80 percent of New Orleans flooded when the levees broke.

**debris** – (pronounced de-BREE) pieces of ruined remains

**FEMA** – (Federal Emergency Management Agency) an organization who responds to disasters in the United States

**federal** – relating to the whole United States, instead of individual states

**insurance** – companies that help pay for loss or damage to homes, cars, or health

**demolished** – completely ruined

**cope** – to deal with a problem or loss

“President Bush’s report card needs improvement”

**polls** – studies of the public’s opinions on certain matters

**principle** – a rule or standard of good behavior

“Pie war rages in Florida”

**petition** – a piece of paper that people sign, asking for something to be done

**proposal** – the written plan that is offered until it is accepted

“Ports fury – friend or foe?”

**port** – a place for loading and unloading ships

**controversial** (controversy) – causing public disagreement or disapproval

**Republican** – one side (party) of the U.S. government. President Bush is a Republican.

**committee** – a group of people chosen to do a particular job

**poll** – survey of the public’s opinions on certain matters

**terrorist** – person who uses violence to get his way

**hijackers** – people who take control of a moving vehicle by use of force

**ally** – friend

**conflict** – fighting

“Toilet blast a big mess”

**utility** – a public service such as gas, electricity, or water

“NFL’s MVP stays with Seahawks”

**contract** – a formal written agreement between two or more people or groups

**MVP** – Most Valuable Player

“Olympic basketball players picked”

**assume** – take on a role or responsibility

**controversy** – a public argument in which people on both sides feel strongly about an issue

“Conquering bullies”  
**intimidate** – scare

“Student star surprises team”

**encouraging** – giving hope or confidence

**autism** – a brain disorder, usually first noticed in early childhood, in which a child can have problems with communication and relationships

**Word game below ▼**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### Word Find

V H D J O B X E T Z O Y Q Y X X I R N H U Y R L P  
O U T I L I T Y M G O G B K Y I P F K Y F P Y P M  
O M H W N U S P R O P O S A L G P R Z Y H R J A O  
L P H B Z E K S W X T E R R O R I S T J T I Y Z F  
Q O H O S I N S U R A N C E T F E M A C N N F N Y  
W R E L M P J L P H M C M V P I I Y B C Q C E H V  
J T L I I F F O F A H N V I Y S F N K I H I F Q H  
X H O O W O I U F L K Z C O N T R A C T J P J Y U  
M L V B M U N V J L U Y F D H K C M X P O L Y F C  
Q D W L Q C T P B Y D C O M M I T T E E B E Y O K  
W G U T I K I F P E T I T I O N V K D M H U L I Q  
P K K C X I M R X G A I Z T D C O N F L I C T Q M  
G K W D Z C I P K X S P L J K R E V A T I N C O M  
I M R S N E D H C W F L K G I X D K P N O P O I M  
M S T X T V A S W L K T F L W V B X E M Y E P D Z  
M O Q Z Z K T N P R Y B E M N R U W O X X X E S H  
X S N C I N E W G X Z R C I H C D H A U T I S M E

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| 1. to deal with a problem or loss                                      | 2. a rule or standard of good behavior  |
| 3. plan that is offered until it is accepted                           | 4. fighting   |
| 5. a public service  | 6. a formal written agreement   |
| 7. scare   | 8. a brain disorder in which a child can have problems with communication and relationships |
| 9. responds to disasters in the United States                          | 10. helps pay for loss or damage to homes, cars, or health                                  |
| 11. a group of people chosen to do a particular job                    | 12. friend  |
| 13. a piece of paper that people sign, asking for something to be done | 14. a place for loading and unloading ships   |
| 15. person who uses violence to get his way                            | 16. Most Valuable Player  |

#### Words to choose from:

insurance	intimidate	cope	MVP	petition
autism	port	principle	contract	ally
proposal	bully	conflict	committee	utility
FEMA				