

COLORADO KIDS: WORD BANK

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“H1N1 (“swine flu”) has many worried sick”

H1N1 – a virus infection more commonly known as “swine flu”

virus – a kind of germ or disease

employer – boss

confirm – approve something; make it a sure thing

Centers for Disease Control (CDC) – the government agency based in Georgia in charge of the public health of the nation

vaccine – a medicine, sometimes in the form of a shot, given to people to prevent them from getting a particular disease or illness

pre-existing condition – illness someone already has before getting sick with another illness

diarrhea – (pronounced die-uh-REE-uh) frequent and loose bowel movements

vomiting – throwing up

infection – having sick germs inside you

contact – being around or together with other people

persistent – happens often, without stopping

“Astronauts say that space smells”

International Space Station – (ISS) also called the space station – the huge station orbiting 220 miles above the earth created and used by many countries for experiments in zero-gravity

microgravity – (also called zero gravity) gravity so low that weightlessness occurs

module – a section of something that can be changed or added on to

ozone – a form of oxygen with a strong odor

metallic – having to do with metals

orbits – following the path of a planet, satellite, or moon around a larger heavenly body

cosmonaut – a Russian astronaut

“Come be a-MAZE-d at the corn maze”

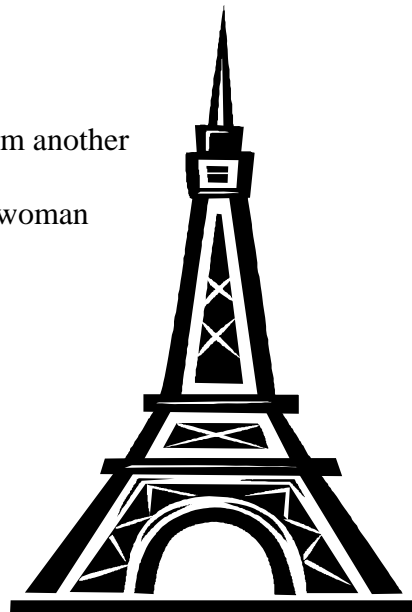
botanic – having to do with plants

“Whoa! That’s a long way down”

foreign exchange student – a student who comes from another country to study for a short time in a new country

mademoiselle – French word meaning girl or young woman

Word game below ▼



FILL IN THE BLANK

Name _____ Grade _____

Fill in the blanks using the correct Word Bank word.

vaccine	mademoiselle	microgravity
botanic	diarrhea	virus
infections	ozone	module
vomiting	International Space Station	H1N1
metallic	orbits	contact

1. Play hide-n-seek among the cornstalks at the Denver _____ Gardens in Chatfield this fall.
2. Swine flue symptoms include fever, sore throat, cough, head and body aches, chills, fatigue, and in some cases, _____ and _____.
3. The space shuttle Discovery rocketed toward the _____ in late August and returned on September 11, delivering seven tons of equipment, including a treadmill to keep astronauts healthy.
4. The _____, more commonly known as the “swine flue,” has many moms, dads, teachers, employers, and even some children concerned.
5. During their 12-day mission, the STS-128 crew also transported and installed a freezer, racks that hold _____ science experiments, and a new _____ to sleep in.
6. He smiled and said, “Going down, _____.”
7. Some astronauts have compared the scent to a strong _____ or _____ gunpowder smell.
8. However, Frieden is hopeful that a _____ might help prevent some of the disease from spreading.
9. About 98 percent of _____ are spread by hands.
10. The space station _____ 220 miles above Earth.
11. The CDC recommends that you stay home from work or school and limit _____ with others to keep from infecting them for 24 hours after your fever goes away.