

## Grades One and Two

**Word of the Week:** gloomy

**Week of:** February 1, 2010

**Part of Speech:** adjective

**Definition:** 1. dark or shadowed; lacking light  
2. filled with feelings of sadness

**Use in a Sentence:** 1. The small children were frightened to walk past the gloomy old house.  
2. Dark winter days always made the children gloomy.

**Syllabification:** gloom - y

**Etymology:** Scandinavian “glome” – to look sullen or displeased

**Modifications for other parts of speech:** gloomily – adverb  
gloominess - noun

**Spanish:** sombrio

**Synonyms:** 1. dim  
2. blue, dejected, glum, miserable, sad, unhappy

**Antonyms:** 1. bright  
2. cheerful, gay, happy, merry

**Root:**

**Additional words with same root:**

**Suffix:**

**Additional words with same suffix:**

**Prefix:**

**Additional words with same prefix:**

**Additional Activities:**

**Writing Prompt:**