

# Key Vocabulary List

\* Note: These words and definitions can be cut into pieces and used in a word match format for better understanding.

Anadromous	Of a fish, such as the salmon migrating up rivers from the sea to spawn.
Confluence	The junction of two rivers, esp. rivers of approximately equal width.
Extinction	The state or process of a species, family, or larger group being or becoming extinct.
Fathom	Understand a difficult problem after much thought.
Mitigate	Make less severe, serious, or painful.
Resident	A bird, butterfly, or other animal of a species that does not migrate.

Source: Apple Computer Oxford American Dictionary