

amid

The butterfly fluttered *amid* the bushes.

a•mid

uh-MIHD

preposition

among or surrounded by

anxious

Kyle is *anxious* about his big soccer game tomorrow.

anx·ious

AYNGK-shuhs

adjective

feeling worry or dread; nervous

astonish

Sam wanted to *astonish* his mom by cleaning his room without her asking.

a·ston·ish

uh-STAHN-ihsh

verb

to fill with amazement; surprise

behavior

Sheila was on her best *behavior*
when she visited her aunt.

be•hav•ior

bih-HAYV-yer

noun

the way someone acts

boundary

The hedges formed a *boundary*
between the two yards.

bound·a·ry

BOWN-duh-ree

noun

something that marks limits or a border,
such as a fence or line

capable

After training for several months, Sasha felt *capable* of running the marathon.

ca·pa·ble

KA-puh-buhl

adjective

having the ability to accomplish
a specific task

champion

Aaron was the *champion* of the local spelling bee.

cham•pi•on

CHAM-pee-uhn

noun

person who takes first place
in a competition

cluster

I picked a *cluster* of wildflowers
for my grandmother.

clus•ter

KLUHS-ter

noun

1. a group of similar things
2. a bunch

clutch

During the scary movie, my little sister had to *clutch* my hand because she was scared.

clutch

kluhtch

verb

to hold tightly; to snatch

compete

The two finalist softball teams had to *compete* for the championship title.

com•pete

kuhm-PEET

verb

to strive for something that
others are striving for