

# Word of the Week

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## Explain

**Definition:** make something clear or easy to understand.

**Synonym:** clarify, define, describe

**Antonym:** confuse, misunderstand, mystify

**Part of speech:** Verb

**Origin:** Latin

**Root:** *planus*  
means 'plain'

**Prefix:** re-, un-, mis-

**Suffix:** -ation, -ing, -ed, -able, -s

**Sentences with the word:** "Please can you explain it again?" Fred asked the teacher politely.  
The traffic explains why the taxi was late to school.

