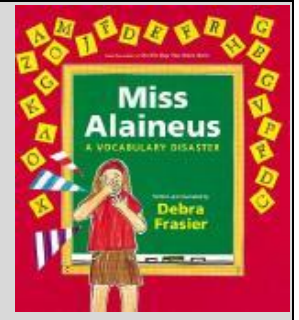


Inspired by the Vocabulary Fashion show in Debra Frasier's [Miss Alaineus](#) and the lesson it inspired at [WritingFix](#), these fifth graders personified vocabulary words by turning them into runway models. As the writers drafted and revised, they worked especially hard on their organization and word choice skills. Read all three pieces, then be prepared to discuss which writer showed the best organization skills and which writer showed the best word choice skills.



Genial (adjective): having a pleasant or friendly disposition or manner

by Kylie, fifth grade writer

“Our next model to brighten the runway is Genial. Her warm and friendly attitude is easy to see as she lightly tiptoes across the stage. Watch as she spins like a ballerina and graciously blows kisses to her friends in the crowd.

“Her bright yellow ball gown sparkles underneath the lights of the runway. The beautiful dress is covered in glittery sequins. It is so bright and cheery that the people in the front row have to cover their eyes! Even our model, Genial, must wear sunglasses because of the light that shines from her dress and sun-shaped earrings. Now that’s bright!

“The next time you are invited to a fabulous, fun, and friendly dance, you could wear this same dress designed by Mother Nature. You’ll be the *Sunshine of the party!*”



Glittering (adjective): sparkling like diamonds

by Abigail, fifth grade writer

“WOW! Look at this one coming down the runway. It is breathtaking! The dress is illuminated because of all the sparkles. I love the V neck in the front and the back. The model just looks stunning in this piece. Look at that turn!”

Glittering pauses at the end of the runway, and she whips around flipping her hair.

"I thought it couldn't get any better, but it just did! This glamorous piece was designed by Lightning Bolt, and it is called 'Glamorous Glittering.' It is a winner, Madame Bolt! Your dress sure does glitter."



Prognostication (noun): the action of predicting or prophesying future events; prediction

by Kaylie, a fifth grade writer

“Get ready to be amazed by Prognostication! Here comes Prognostication now, rolling down the runway in her hot pink roller skates and wearing her matching futuristic zippered-down suit. Wow!

“As she spins around, just look at her crystal ball purse creating shining pink smoke above your heads! What is happening? She looks like she is trying to predict the future. I think she is predicting that her outfit will steal the show. She looks like she is wearing the outfit of the future.

“Prognostication knew you would be delighted with her amazing talent. Prognostication predicts that her outfit will be selling out in the near future. And so, as Prognostication rolls back down the runway in a pink cloud of smoke, she nods her head and winks.”

