

## Spring Wildflowers-Vocabulary

**Advantage:** (*noun*) a position that will benefit the subject; a gain; a favorable success

Synonym: asset, profit, favor

**Opportunity:** (*noun*) a good position, chance, condition, situation favorable to reach a goal

Synonym: a break, a chance

**Canopy:** (*noun*) the cover formed by the leafy upper branches of the trees in a forest

Synonym: shade, cover

**Perennial:** (*adj.*) having a life cycle lasting more than two years

Synonym: recurrent, yearly, continual

**Tuber:** (*noun*) a fleshy, usually oblong or rounded outgrowth, as the potato, of a stem or root, bearing scalelike buds from which new plants may grow.

Synonym: root

**Rhizome:** (*noun*) a rootlike stem underground, that usually produces roots below and sends shoots up to the surface

**Corm:** (*noun*) an enlarged, fleshy, bulblike base of a stem

Synonym: bulb

**Colony:** (*noun*) a group of organisms of the same kind living or growing in close association

Synonym: community

**Antibacterial:** (*adj.*) destructive to or inhibiting the growth of bacteria

Synonym: medicated, germ-destroying

**Fungus:** (*noun*) a diverse group of single-celled organisms that live by decomposing and absorbing organic matter in which they grow

Synonym: mold, mushrooms, mildew, yeast

**Moccasin:** (*noun*) a shoe or slipper made of leather decorated with beads, originally worn by Native Americans

Synonym: slipper, shoe

**Nectar:** (*noun*) the sugar secretion of a plant, which attracts insects and birds that pollinate the flower

**Symbiotic:** (*adj.*) having an interdependent relationship

Synonym: share, collaborative, team

**Interrupt:** (*verb*) to cause a break in the condition or uniformity

Synonym: break, disturb, cut, prevent

