# K-4 Vocabulary Instruction - Instructional Sequence to use after a Read Aloud (from Bringing Words to Life)

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### Minilesson Comprehension Strategy:

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**Word: moan**

**In the book, father moaned, “turkey with chestnut dressing and mashed potatoes and carrots and peas and five kinds of pie again?”**

*Moan means to whine or complain about something—to show that we are unhappy.*

**The teacher moaned when she saw all the bad grades!**

**Word Game: Idea completion**

Someone might moan when (if) ________________.

What is the word that means ________________?

**Word: gasp**

**In the book, the ad in the newspaper said, “Only 3 more non-shopping days till Un-Christmas.” Is it true? Noelle gasped.**

*Gasp means to take in air in shock or surprise.*

**“Shh...Santa is on the roof!” the children gasped.**

**Word Game: Making choices**

Would you gasp if:
- you got a new pet
- you had to clean your room
- you got a present
- you had to work all day

What is the word that describes the way we take in air when we are shocked or surprised?

| Use all the words together: | |
|-----------------------------| All words taught during the lesson are brought together by relating words, one context for all the words, or same format. Review words from previous weeks. *Make an anchor chart on the wall with this weeks words to help your review all of them.* |
moan

gasp