

Clarice Bean Spells Trouble





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## What's a GOOD word?

Clarice Bean loves the books about Ruby Redfort, girl detective. In fact, she thinks they're  $e^x_{cep}t_{iono}rdinarily good!$  Make up your own special word and explain what it means. Share it with your group—and have fun using all your new, made-up words.

# Be a SECRET WORD spy

How many words can you make from the letters in the book's title,

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### Say it in CODE

The RUBY REDFORT CODE (p. 108) uses one word to mean another (for example, bad = tapioca because Ruby thinks tapioca is a horrible pudding). Can you match the words below with their code definition?

Good	Tapioca
Dangerous	Pizza
Bad ~~~~~	Dirty Dog
Trouble	Clancy Crew
Cool	Hogtrotter



Now create YOUR own CODE words!



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#### **PICTURE this!**

Mr. Washington asks Clarice Bean and the other students to draw "a picture of the inside of their head" (p. 113). As Clarice explains, "He means all the *whirling* thoughts and information and how does it feel sometimes when you are **FED UP** or in a **RAGE** or *chirpy* or **utterly bored**." Take a minute to think about what's going on in your own mind, and then draw a picture of the inside of *your* head.

