



**RAPID REVIEW** value, obtain, create, section, similar, distribute, supply, purchase

**Step 1** Listen. Then repeat the word and its definition aloud, emphasizing the accented syllable.

# symbol

*symbol*: (sim-bull) *n*: A *symbol* is something that stands for something very important. Most symbols represent something invisible, like love or freedom.

Spanish: símbolo

**Step 2** Listen to each passage. Then, read each passage aloud with expression. Stop after each passage and briefly discuss whether the meaning or usage has changed in different contexts.

- A.** A symbol is an icon, an emblem, a sign.  
It's a picture, a sketch, a simple design.

One symbol for peace is a snow-white dove.  
But a blood-red heart is symbolic of love.  
A health-care symbol is a simple red cross,  
But the poison symbol has bones across.

We symbolize justice with a pair of scales.  
Could we weigh the truth, if all else fails?  
We symbolize danger with lightning bolts.  
They stand for shocking electrical jolts.



- B.** A flag is a symbol too. It's an emblem. Each nation has a different flag. The flag is symbolic of the government. When the American flag is lowered to half-mast, it represents the death of an important leader, such as a president. Flags are also lowered to remember fallen citizens and/or soldiers on Patriot Day (Sept. 11), Memorial Day, and Pearl Harbor Day (Dec. 7). When the flag is removed and replaced by a different flag, it might mean that there is a different government. A new emblem, or symbol, replaces the old.

- C.** Yin and yang can symbolize the unity in opposites.  
There's strength when things dissimilar unite.  
Yin and yang remind us of the energy in differences:  
There's power in the daylight *and* the night.



**Step 3** Find and mark review words and words related to the target word.