The word of the week is

 PREVENT

**It means: to keep something from happening, to put a stop to.**

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**Only you can prevent forest fires.**

**By eating right and taking good care of herself, she hoped to prevent her cold from turning into something worse.**

**Driving rain prevented us from going to South Carolina this weekend.**

**You can prevent accidents by being cautious and careful.**

**Wearing seatbelts saves lives and prevents injuries.**