This grid of letters conceals words lying in different directions: forward, backward, up, down, or diagonally, but always in a straight line. The words to find and circle are listed below the grid - cross them off once you’ve circled them. Many words overlap. When you’ve crossed off all the words in the list below, there will be letters that haven’t yet been circled. Gather those letters - from the top, left to right, and they will spell out the ‘Last Word’ answer for this puzzle.

**MOST PROGRESSIVE DAY OF THE YEAR**  
Solution: 10 letters

**ABOVE-NAMED**  
**ANTE**  
**EXTANT**  
**FURTHERANCE**  
**HEADING**  
**NEW**  
**RISE**  

**ACQUIRING**  
**BETTERMENT**  
**FEAT**  
**GAINING**  
**HIP**  
**IN THE FOREGROUND**  
**ONWARD**  
**RULING**  

**ADVANCEMENT**  
**BUILD**  
**FIRST**  
**GAINON**  
**IN THE FOREGROUND**  
**PROCEED**  
**RUSH**  

**AFOOT**  
**CONQUER**  
**FORGE AHEAD**  
**GO FORWARD**  
**JOG**  
**LUNGE**  
**PUSH ON**  
**TOP**  

**AGGRANDIZE**  
**ENHANCE**  
**FORGE AHEAD**  
**GOING**  
**LUNGE**  
**RATE**  
**TRENDSETTING**  
**UPLIFTING**  

**ALL THE RAGE**  
**EXCEPTIONAL**  
**FRONT EDGE**  
**FRONT LINE**  
**GROW**  
**NEAR**  
**REDEMPTION**  

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