

Build subject-specific vocabulary

Use techniques that help students to build their subject-specific vocabulary.

Techniques include:

- Help students to take an active role by creating their own vocabulary lists and visual dictionaries.
- Ask students to identify a personal vocabulary list from a reading.
- Link words with images, graphics, physical movements or signs to support recall.
- Create word walls in collaboration with students.
- Use graphic techniques that include colour and shape to support recall.
- Use games such as Pictionary, Articulate or Charades to reinforce meaning. In Articulate students must guess the word from a description.
- Reinforce new words by using them repeatedly and encouraging students to use them.
- Add current vocabulary to wall displays. Remove old displays. Old displays can be photographed or turned into a reference book.

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