### Vocabulary

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### Acknowledgement of Country

 I would like to show my respect and acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, of elders past and present, on which this event takes place

### What is Vocabulary

Vocabulary refers to the words students need to know to comprehend and communicate.

- Expressive vocabulary refers to the words children recognise or use when speaking and writing
- Receptive vocabulary refers to the words students know and understand the meaning of when listening and reading

Carnine, D, Silbert, J, Kame'enui, EJ, Tarver, SG, & Jungjohann, K. 2006

### Purpose of Project

- Examine ways to enhance receptive and expressive vocabulary for students who were struggling to learn literacy
- To provide teachers with further knowledge required for teaching Tier 2 and Tier 3 vocabulary
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q-K9dSH\_jhQ

### Tiers of Learning

Definition		
Word meanings that are commonly learned from conversation and from accessible media sources (No instruction needed)		
Word meanings that are synonyms for words in the basic speaking vocabulary. Basic (e.g., fear vs. terrified; talk vs.communicate); relatively highly frequent in the speaking vocabularies of well-educated persons		
Word meanings that are learned within highly specialized knowledge domains such as botany, geography, medicine, and physics (photosynthesis,		

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#### **Assessment**

Vocabulary assessments are less well developed than other reading assessments

#### Standardised tests include:

- Woodcock Reading Mastery Tests (1998)
- Peabody picture Vocabulary Test (PPVT-3;Dunn& Dunn, 1997)
- The Expressive Vocabulary Tests (EVT-2; Williams, 2007)
- Comprehensive Receptive and Expressive Vocabulary Test (Wallace & Hammill, 2002)

#### **Assessment**

#### **Curriculum Based Assessment**

Does the student know and talk about a given word?

Do they understand the underlying meaning of the word? (Isobell Book,

#### NSW English Syllabus - Outcome 4

#### Understand and apply knowledge of vocabulary.

#### Stage 1

- understand how texts are made cohesive through resources, for example, word associations, synonyms, and antonyms
- recognise, discuss and use creative word play, e.g. alliteration (1st sound) and onomatopoeia (meaning)

#### Stage 2

- learn extended and technical vocabulary and ways of expressing opinion, including modal verbs and adverbs
- experiment with vocabulary choices to engage the listener or reader

#### Stage 3

Understand the use of vocabulary to express greater

- precision of meaning, and know that words can have different meanings in different contexts investigate
- how vocabulary choices, including evaluative language can express shades of meaning, feeling and opinion

#### Research Findings

Vocabulary is wide, complex, and deep. There is a whole network underlying the words we use, not simply a huge list of unrelated words

Early vocabulary acquisition, prior to preschool, has been demonstrated to be particularly important because of its relationship to subsequent reading progress throughout the school years (Sinatra, R., Zygouris-Coe, V & Dasinger, S., 2011)

The more words they *know* that have similar sounds, such as *sleep* and *sleet*, the more they attend to the slight differences in sound between such words, and they continue to build more accurate phonological representations.

#### The Vocabulary Learning Task Is Huge

- The average 2 year old preschooler knows about 200 words
- The average second grader knows about 20,000 words.
- The average high school graduate knows about 100,000 words.

So - average students need to learn more than 7000 words every year.

 This translates to 38 words each school day - no time off class including sick days, sports days or excursions

(Taylor, C.L., Christensen, D., Lawrence, D., Mitrou, F. & Zubrick, S.R. 2013)

- · 20% Australian students are deficient in vocabulary
- 30% of Australian students in disadvantaged areas are deficient in vocabulary (Hempenstall, 2016)
- Students from disadvantaged backgrounds who are in Year 12 may have the same level of vocabulary as students from privileged backgrounds who is in Year 2 (Hempenstall, 2016)

#### Oral language related

- Children from families whose parents worked in a profession heard 30 million more words by age three, and developed a spoken vocabulary more than twice as large as their less advantaged peers (Hart & Risley, 1995)

#### Reading related

- Students at the lower 10% of reading ability in Year 5 read about 50,000 words per year out of school, while those at the in the top 10% read about 4,500,000 words per year (Fielding, Wilson & Anderson,1986)
- 9/10 Year 2 students whose decoding is fluent, yet reading comprehension was poor also had poor vocabulary (Wagner & Meros, 2010)

#### Most effective:

- Explicit Instruction more effective
- Strategic classroom discussion
- Morphology
- Teach semantic and shades of meaning groups
- Reading for vocabulary extension

### Stage 1

- Tier 1 revision and consolidating
- Teir 2 compound and complex words and vocabulary
- e.g. scrambled, surprise, snapped, got cross, bared his teeth
- Teir 3 Computer related words e.g. mouse, curser, monitor, icon

### Stages 2 & 3

- Tier 2 Elaborate words e.g. Magnificent, ridiculous, suddenly, wondered, ferocious, vamoose, investigation
- Tier 3 Science and HSIE words e.g. ethics, solids, axis, micro-organisms, tectonic plates, tension, isthmus, species, constitution

#### Vocabulary Professional Learning and Classroom Lesson Plan

Teach each section explicitly.

When expectation known, each section should be addressed in quick short sharpe

bursts according to context

Revise words taught last session

Read book with unknown elaborate vocabulary

semantic (individual or groups), homophones (individual or groups) rhyming words Vocab words – factual or literary text for example; Australian Animals or Just You Wait

Rhetorical device – For example: Jumps like Jimmy Cricket

Explicitly teach tier 2 and tier 3 words

Shades of meaning –(different words- same meaning)

Demonstrate a cline of words with the same meaning yet different intensity. Demonstrate building a cline and word meaning. Work with class to align visuals that represent intensity. Students work in groups to complete the same or similar task in groups

Semantic grouping - same word - different meaning

Play Morphographs noughts and crosses (in isolation then in words ) Meaning stated instead of word section. For example: Bi – students say two

Talk with peer group and work out word meanings for 2 or 3 words using

- morphographical knowledge
  1. Think about how to break words apart
  - 2. Think and talk about 2 words you can tell what the word parts mean. For example: Bicvcle - bi means two cycle means continuous
  - 3. Choose two words from the list and work out the meaning of the word

Labelling a picture with appropriate words if using factual text or one that allows for labelling visuals (see <a href="www.pilanguagelearningassistance.com">www.pilanguagelearningassistance.com</a>. for ES1 and Stage 2/3 examples

Discussion between pairs or groups included Rhetorical device

Read the same book again

Write what you learned today in journal or retell on voice recorder

Whole class - 4 people read journal entry to class

Teach and reinforce speaking and listening rules while completing this task

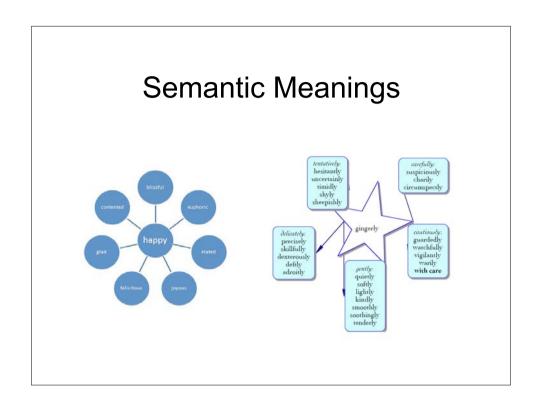
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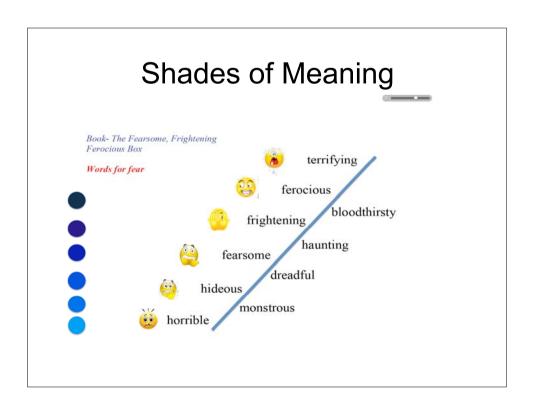


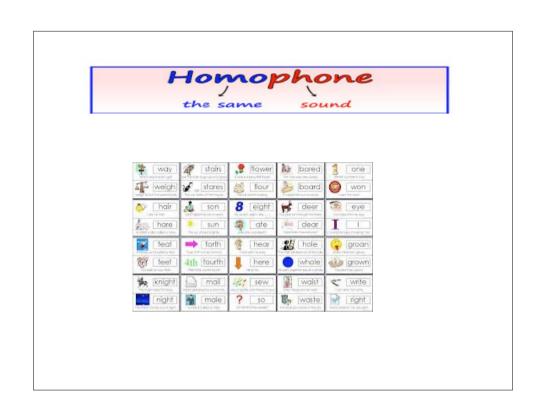
Read and explain meanings of words

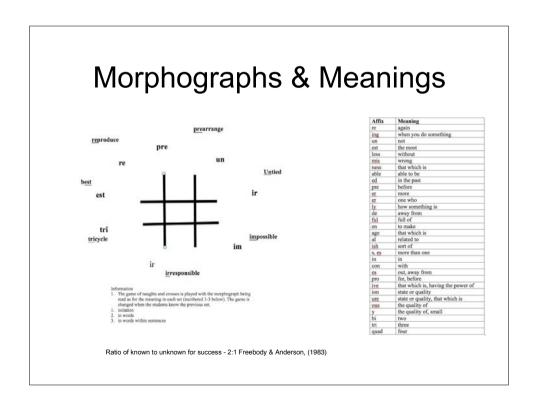
# **Teach Vocabulary Explicitly**

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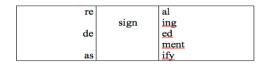








### Design a Word with Meaning



re	de	as	re+de	re+as
resign	design	assign	redesign	reassign
re	de	as	rede	reas
re	de	as	rede	reas
re	de	ass		
re	de			

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# Similar Sounding Words

Hear and manipulate sounds in words

- Hide-wide
- Fat flat
- There beware
- Snack-track
- Attack back

# New Vocabulary Use



Discuss and use the new words

### Journal Writing and Report



Write

Read

Spell

and

Report

# Having fun with words

Same sounding word - different meaning

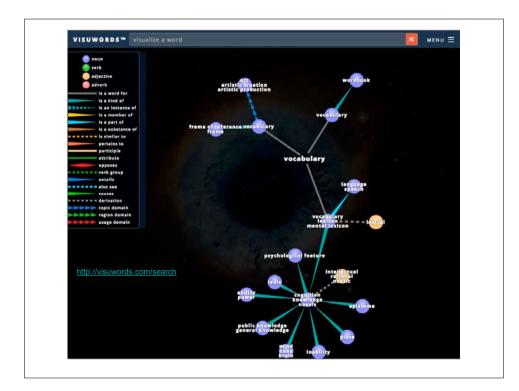
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Same meaning - different word

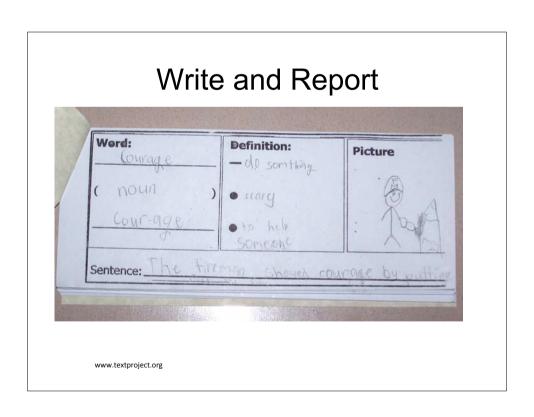
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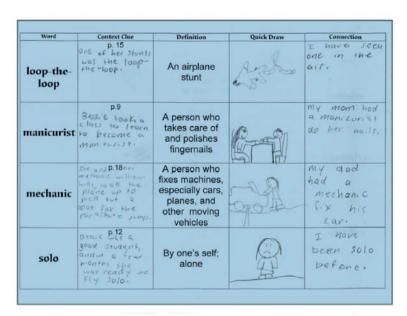
Marzano's Six Step Process Teaching Academic Vocabulary

http://www.altonschools.org/media/pdf/Marzano\_Vocab.pdf









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### Teacher use of Tier 2 words

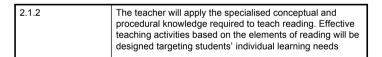
- □ Today we're going to *saunter* to lunch.
- $\hfill \square$  It's time to  $\it commence$  cleaning off your desks.
- Our way of speaking today is to murmur. We will need to strain to discern what people are saying.
- ☐ Be certain to *enunciate* clearly.
- ☐ Your task is to get your desk into *shipshape* form.
- ☐ I need to *verify* if anyone is *absent* today.
- ☐ I inadvertently left the door ajar. Can someone please close it?
- Please add your name to those who will be receiving accolades at the end of the week.
- ☐ What *highlights* of our day will you *impart* to your family tonight?
- ☐ I notice that many of you are quite *lethargic* after lunch.

# The 60 most common Tier 3 words

analysis	contract	factors	legal	research
approach	create	financial	legislation	response
area	data	formula	major	role
assessment	definition	function	method	section
assume	derived	identified	occur	sector
authority	distribution	income	percent	significant
available	economic	indicate	period	similar
benefit	environment	individual	policy	source
concept	established	interpretation	principle	specific
consistent	estimate	involved	procedure	structure
constitutional	evidence	issues	process	theory
context	export	labor	required	variables

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### Standards



#### Essential Reading and Resource Availability

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#### Free Resources www.pjlanguagelearningassistance.com

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