



Literacy for



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Oracy

Reading

Writing



**READ TO
SUCCEED**





WORDS for



- **Whole school focus on improving students' Academic vocabulary**
- **Getting students to improve their Tier 2 Academic vocabulary in preparation for GCSEs and beyond**
- **Vocabulary activities for PREP using Knowledge Organisers**

Did you know vocabulary is split into 3 categories?

Tier 1 Words (basic vocabulary)

Words we use all of the time: *dog, cat, house, green, park*

These are words that you will already know!

Tier 2 Words (Academic Vocabulary)

Sophisticated words that fit into lots of subjects.

The better knowledge you have of these words the more success you will have in all subjects! Examples: fundamental, affect, context, evaluate - They help with your writing, reading and speaking. These are the words that make you stronger!

Tier 3 Subject Specific Terminology

Words that you need to learn specifically for your subjects.

These more technical words are usually needed within a specific topic and are really important for classwork/homework and exams!

Examples in Science: catalyst, exothermic, dissection

Examples in English: dramatic irony, metaphor, tragedy

These are the words that students need to practice the most - to help them for their GCSEs and beyond.



Each week for PREP students are assigned vocabulary activities using Tier 2 and Tier 3 vocabulary from their knowledge organisers.

All knowledge organisers are on the Bolder Academy website and every student has their own copy.

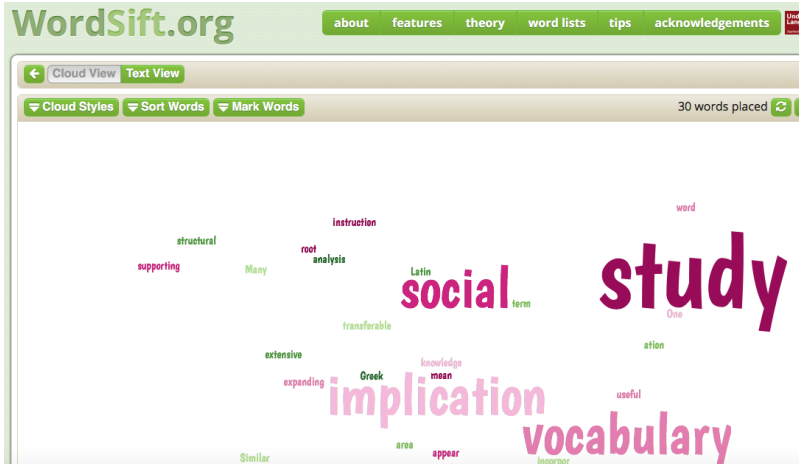
Students should spend at least 30 minutes on each activity for each subject at home (1 hour of homework per night – 2 subjects).

MY WORD taunted	Synonyms <ul style="list-style-type: none">• teased• mocked• ridiculed
Sentence to remember The ugly old hermit was taunted by the local village children as she walked through the town.	Antonyms <ul style="list-style-type: none">• admired• respected• praised

A simple, closed plane figure made up of three or more line segments.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Closed• Simple (curve does not intersect itself)• Plane figure (2 dimensional)• Made up of three or more line segments• No dangling parts
Examples <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rectangle• Triangle• Pentagon• Hexagon• Trapezoid	Polygon
	Nonexamples <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Circle• Cone• Arrow (Ray)• Cube• Letter A

Vocabulary Websites

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Describing Words - This website has a simple premise: punch in a noun and you get countless descriptive words, with a helpful sort for 'frequency' and for 'uniqueness'.

Vocabulary.com - This bumper website has lots of uses, from a dictionary and countless vocabulary questions.

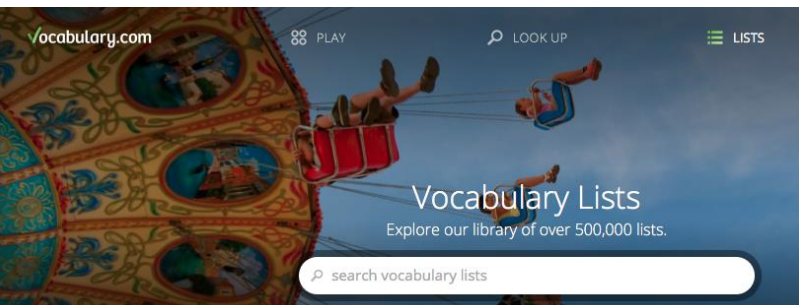
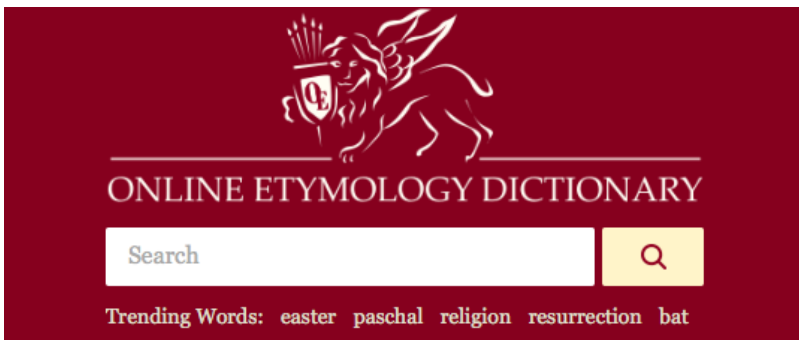
Visuwords.com - This website freely does what it says on the tin: creating interesting graphic visuals for your word choices.

Online Etymology Dictionary - With a quick search, you can gain accessible word histories (alongside some very interesting articles).

Freerice - This unique website is for vocabulary quizzes! The premise of 'free rice' sees correct quiz answers activity the World Food Programme donate grains of rice to help end hunger.

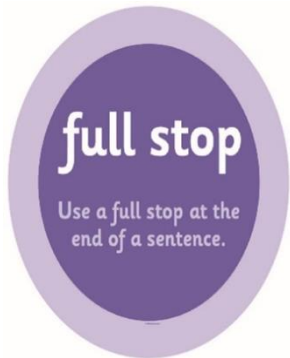
Word Sift - This website is another very helpful tool that can visualise and 'sift' passages of text in helpful ways.

Students should also practice boosting their vocabulary at home.





Marking for Literacy: Common misconceptions



<p>Spelling</p> <p>SP</p>	<p>Technical vocabulary and key words from lessons should be spelled consistently and accurately. Consider also basic spellings and homophones (their / they're / there).</p> <p>SP can also be written in the margin for the pupil to find the misspelt word themselves in green pen.</p>
<p>Punctuation</p> <p>P</p>	<p>A sentence must have a <i>subject</i> (someone or thing doing the verb) and a verb (an action - can change tense in the sentence) and can only be ended with a full stop, exclamation mark or question mark.</p>
<p>Capital Letters</p> <p>C</p>	<p>Capital letters are used for proper nouns (names something or someone specific) and starts of sentences.</p> <p>Proper Nouns: Jack, London, The Internet.</p>



Reading

- **Students must have an appropriate reading book as part of their equipment**
- **Students will have access to our Library at break times and one lunch time a week**
- **Students are encouraged to read for 30 minutes a day outside of school**



STEP 1: Students take a STAR reading test and receive their own book level range.

STEP 2: Students must select and read books within their book level range.

Students should be reading their book for at least 30 minutes every day.

STEP 3: Students log on to our Accelerated Reader website and complete a quiz every time they finish a book fully.

STEP 4: Students receive points, rewards and prizes for doing well on their book quizzes.

STEP 5: Students complete two more STAR reading tests in the year to see if they have progressed with their reading level.



Renaissance Home Connect is a tool that keeps parents informed of their son/daughter's progress in Accelerated Reader and encourages children to practice reading at home.

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Accelerated Reader

Reading Practice Quizzes Vocabulary Practice Quizzes

My Overall Progress

01/06/2010 - 31/07/2011 (9% Complete) Current Marking Period

Quizzes	90%	average % correct	target 85	Above Target
Points	2.7	192.9% of target	target 1.4	Above Target
ATOS Book Level	4.6	average level	target 3	Above Target

Quizzes Passed/Taken: 1/1 Word Count: 19,556

My Last Quiz

Taken: 12/09/2010

Cat Crazy
By Lucy Daniels
ATOS Book Level: 3.9
Interest Level: Lower Years

10 of 10 Correct **100%**

2.0 of 2.0 Points **2.0**

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Reader Certifications

Only passed quizzes count toward certification.

Last Achieved: Ready Reader Achieved 01/09/2010 Earned: 5 points		Current Target: Super Reader	
Read: 3 books independently		ATOS BL: 2.0 or higher	
Worth:			

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