

Advanced Word Meaning

Objective

Students will enhance vocabulary through using a graphic organizer.

Materials

- Simple text with vocabulary words identified
- Dictionaries or glossaries
- Concept Word Map handout (multiple copies for each student)

Overview

Explicitly model and provide multiple opportunities for practice with corrective feedback.

Activity

1. Write in the center box of the handout a familiar word or concept from the text.
2. Model as you complete the concept map with students. Use context clues from the text.
3. Have students complete the map for another word. Provide assistance as appropriate, depending on students' depth of background knowledge for the chosen word.

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Concept Word Map

What is it?

Examples

Nonexamples

WORD or CONCEPT

What is it like?