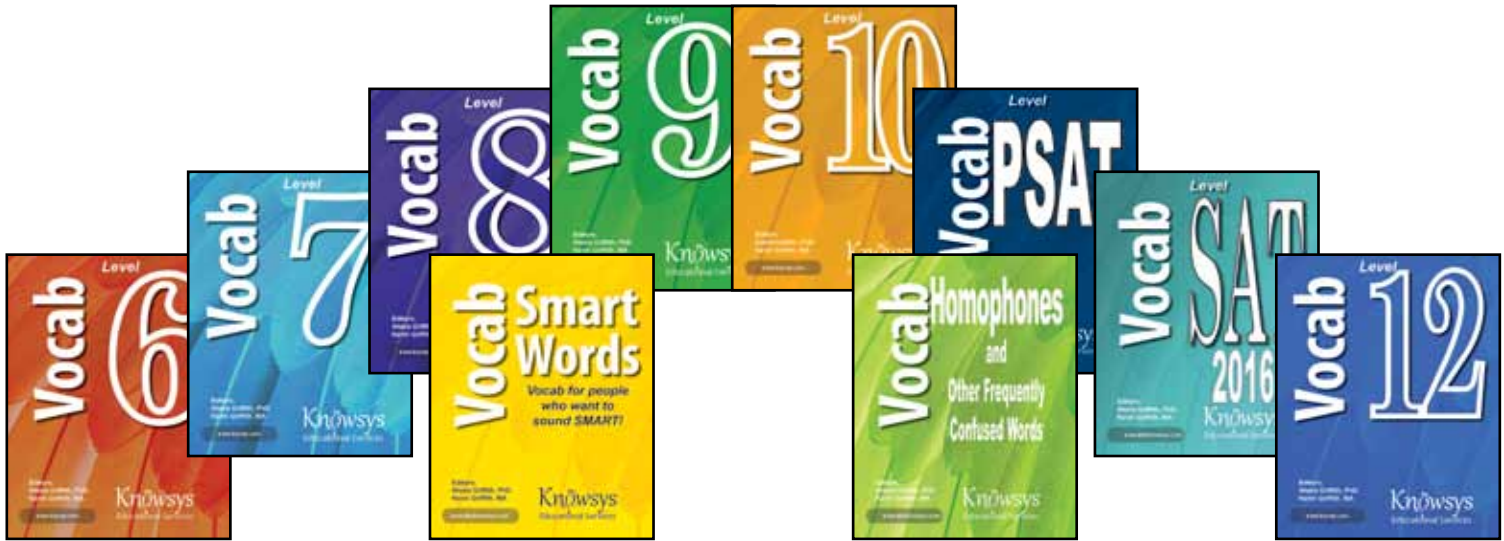


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Vocabulary Builder



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MEMORY BOX

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N **silliness** **HUMOR**

Wearied by the seriousness of life,
Frank longed for the frivolity of youth.

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Direct, Effective Instruction

This Program Works!

“Knowsys provides us with a consistent vocab program throughout English classes from middle school through high school: standard, easy-to-remember definitions, a wealth and variety of activities, & research-based teaching strategies that deliver outstanding results.”

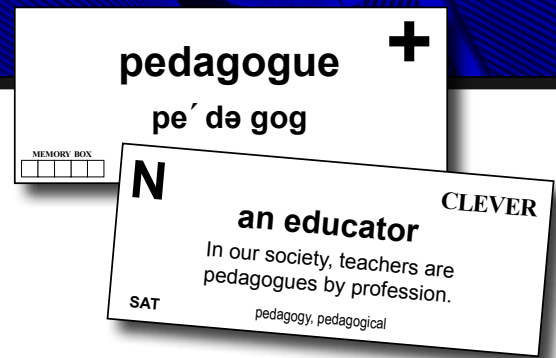
Sheila Carrell, English Chair
Silsbee High School
Silsbee ISD

Heavily Research-Based

- The Knowsys method of introducing 10 words per week is highly manageable, especially because the words are organized in thematic groups
- Thematic groups like nature, money, and energy facilitate memorization
- Flashcards include the phonetic pronunciation
- Flashcard Apps include audio pronunciations

The Memory Box System

- Tracks students’ progress as vocabulary words move from short-term to long-term memory
- Emphasizes the importance of retention and mastery of words, not just cramming for a weekly quiz



Flashcards

- “Hands-on” strategy for manipulating words to encourage mastery
- Pre-printed and portable or available online or as an app — flashcards can be used anywhere
- Flashcards feature student-friendly, most frequently-tested definitions; charges (for connotation); and related words





Cumulative, Varied Activities

Mastery-Building Activities

- Short 5- to 10-minute activities:
- Matching
- Crossword Puzzles
- Media Mentions
- Short Answer Questions
- Narrative (Cloze Activity)
- Sentence Completion Quizzes
- Writing Prompts (30 minutes)
- Plus 3 or more of the following:
Word Roots, Synonym Identification, Antonym Identification, Oddball Identification, Synonym Matching, Synonym Substitution, Scenarios, Name the Speaker, True or False, Fill-in-the-Blanks

Mastery by Association

- Words are organized in thematic groups to facilitate mastery
- Definitional and contextual activities provide sustained meaningful interaction with the words
- Activities build vocabulary by association/disassociation and by teaching students to apply words to real-life contexts

Meaningful Interaction

- Multiple exposures engage students in discussions about the vocabulary words
- Activities are cumulative so students continually work with words from prior groups
- Activities use words in all their various forms to enhance depth of understanding and mastery of use



The students love it!

“I just wanted to let you know how much the kids love the Knowsys vocabulary cards and lessons. The activities are wonderful and take them through the different levels of thinking and learning!”

Laurie Wagner
Rogers Middle School
Pearland ISD

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Teacher Resources

- Daily application activities
Tiered for effective differentiation
- Vocabulary Flashcards (Box Set & Apps)
- Alphabetized word list
- Weekly quizzes
- Cumulative Six-Week Exams
- Pre-test and Post-test

Teacher Training

- Specialized professional development from a Knowsys expert on how to incorporate direct vocab instruction into existing ELA curriculum
- Hands-on modeling of research-based vocab best practices
- Ongoing support from the Knowsys team throughout the year

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Testing Period:	8/20/2007	5/17/2008
Average:	72%	Pre-Test 80%
Pre-Test	54%	82%
Student Name	10732768 Student_Sample	80%
	10732769 Student_Sample	82%
	10732801 Student_Sample	82%
	10732825 Student_Sample	70%
	10732829 Student_Sample	62%
	10732844 Student_Sample	80%
	10732894 Student_Sample	70%
	10732899 Student_Sample	90%
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	10732935 Student_Sample	78%
	10732950 Student_Sample	72%
	10732981 Student_Sample	74%
	10732987 Student_Sample	76%
	10733007 Student_Sample	72%
	10733021 Student_Sample	72%
	10733028 Student_Sample	72%
	10733040 Student_Sample	72%
	10733078 Student_Sample	72%
	10733085 Student_Sample	72%

Testing Period:	8/20/2010	5/17/2011		
Average Percentage Correct:	51%	Pre-Test 50%	Post-Test 52%	Percent Improvement
Number of Students:	608	593	593	52%
Students by Grade				
Grade Level: 6	35%	88%	400	60%
Number of Students:	250	250	250	60%
Grade Level: 7	48%	75%	177	57%
Number of Students:	463	463	463	57%
Grade Level: 8	47%	74%	197	58%
Number of Students:	485	485	485	58%

Data and Results

- Pre-test and Post-test give you diagnostic data
- Data is presented by student, by teacher, by school, by grade, and by district

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