Vocabulary

Teacher Use:

Vocabulary refers to the words that students must know in order to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing. Vocabulary knowledge is crucially important to reading, it supports both decoding and comprehension. In fact, first-grade students' vocabulary knowledge predicts reading achievement in high school (Cunningham & Stanovich, 1997).

"Suffix Match Up" can be used to help students visualize and conceptualize different types of words. Use this tool to help students connect and organize information as they process the structure and meaning of words.

Suffix cards and word list are included in this resource.

This resource can be used in literacy stations, small group instruction, or for reading intervention.

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Directions:

To preserve the use of the activity, laminate cards.

Please note: Teachers can use "Suffix Match Up," in multiple ways. Essentially this tool can be used as a fun and simple way to review word parts.

Once the teacher has explicitly taught word parts, students will need practice identifying vocabulary words that include suffixes. Have students find the match by identifying the suffix, suffix definition, and then vocabulary that matches the suffix.

Please Note: This activity provides opportunities to increase a student's vocabulary bank and word consciousness. Use this tool to discuss some words in depth. For example, the teacher can discuss the function, purpose, or feature of the word. Additionally, the teacher can consider asking the student to describe the word or discuss the denotation or connotation of the word as it relates to the suffix.

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full of

powerful

respectful

joyful

remorseful

colorful

beautiful

less

without

helpless

harmless

lifeless

fearless

spotless

restless

ly

way or manner

slowly

shortly

friendly

rapidly

slowly

shortly

er

more

faster

shorter

bigger

sadder

sweeter

easier

est

most

greatest

prettiest

coolest

smallest

hardest

softest

able

can be done

durable

laughable

enjoyable

memorable

comfortable

washable

ment

action or result

movement

excitement

disappointment

government

movement

excitement

ed

past tense verb

parked

laughed

watched

cried

played

pushed