engchat.

Vocab disc here?

tkraz at 23:14 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Yes! Just no one else is talking yet.

Cindy at 23:15 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Hello?

MissSMitch at 23:15 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Only Twitter app working for me was Tweetdeck. Twitterfall was sporatic. Might take time for folks to migrate.

ckervina at 23:15 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

I don't teach much vocabulary in isolation - mostly when we see it in literature.

Cindy at 23:15 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

So let's start the discussion!

EngTeachGeek at 23:16 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

I think it will take a bit of time for others to come over. They'll get here.

Cindy at 23:16 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

I give 20 words a week, with sentence completion quiz at end.

EngTeachGeek at 23:16 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Alright, some poeple found us on here for #engchat

sapereaude at 23:16 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

I display interesting words of the week -challenge students to use them in context and make offerings of their own

as year progresses.

MissSMitch at 23:16 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

I have used vocabulary charades - high interest for students

sapereaude at 23:17 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

EngTeachGeek how do you choose your words?

MissSMitch at 23:17 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Changing it up a bit: giving students options on how they learn the words: sentences, flash cards, drawings, etc.

EngTeachGeek at 23:17 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

I use Vocab for Achievement series. LOVE it.

EngTeachGeek at 23:17 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Level D & E for Frosh Honors.

EngTeachGeek at 23:18 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

How do others teach/incorporate vocab?

EngTeachGeek at 23:19 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

having S draw new words also helps to clarify meaning and retain them

sapereaude at 23:19 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

I've tried web-based Getaclue.com. Not happy with it. Easy to cheat on.

ckervina at 23:19 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

has anyone use poetry to teach vocab, more intertwined effort.

sapereaude at 23:20 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

my students enjoy freerice.com when

they get it right they donate rice to poorer countries

MissSMitch at 23:20 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Have you used poetry, @saperaude? How do you do that?

EngTeachGeek at 23:20 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

@sapereaude Some colleagues reported similar results re: drawing. Would like to try. Also, there are video contests with the same idea.

ckervina at 23:20 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

I use in sentence context and have students guess meaning. Then complete a matching quiz with guessed meaning. Becomes a challenge.

Ann at 23:21 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

I also believe a good student friendly dictionary is important. Longman & Collins-CoBuild are great ones.

TWRCtankcom at 23:21 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

@engteachgeek, I purposely choose a poem with difficult words, convoluted meanings - we talk through it together

sapereaude at 23:22 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

I offer traditional exercises (sent. completion, syns, ants.), but now offer alternate assignments. Quizzes the same: sent. comp.

EngTeachGeek at 23:22 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

I also use Quia games for reinforcing. No free though.

Ann at 23:22 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

in 11th grade I use Phyllis Wheatley poems with success

sapereaude at 23:22 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

@PaulWHankins uses and suggest Flowcabulary http://flocabulary.com/

ckervina at 23:23 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

I also have students use words of the week on quiz to write about the literature we are reading.

Ann at 23:23 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Quiz is on class web site: bank of 40 sent. 15 random generated. Student can use notes, online resources, retake until happy w/ grade.

EngTeachGeek at 23:23 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Has anyone seen/used Michael Salinger's Well Defined? Poems about tough words.

Cindy at 23:23 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Promotes true mastery of vocab words.

EngTeachGeek at 23:23 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Could easily use his poems as models to write their own poems.

Cindy at 23:24 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Isolated vocabulary lists should go away. This is not how we learn words. Or at least I don't. My only list now is

HoneyDo, not words.

Paul W. Hankins at 23:24 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

one thing I can do a better job of is using challenging words in the context of classroom discussion to challenge my students

sapereaude at 23:24 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

love flocabulary- kids think it is corny but they like it.

Ann at 23:24 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Oooh, Cindy's suggestion of Michael Salinger's book is one I should have suggested. Yes. Good for you, Cindy. See the extension, not level!

Paul W. Hankins at 23:25 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

I have Ss look for (or take) pics that represent words/terms (then use them next year!)

tkraz at 23:25 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

I don't teach using isolated lists - we find new words in literature we're reading.

Cindy at 23:25 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

@EngTeachGeek I like the idea of using web - it allows students to take more control of their progress.

MissSMitch at 23:25 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Or I use words they aren't familiar with in class...so they ask. They know to do that.

Cindy at 23:25 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

in the 9th grade - making word clusters is a great way to intro vocab words

sapereaude at 23:25 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Yes, Ann. They do. Funny thing. As seniors, I ask them to quote their favorite part of new vocab book. Nothing. But they can sing lines...

Paul W. Hankins at 23:25 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

I teach greek and latin prefixes and suffixes. Vocabulary Building for Better Grades, I think it is called.

sarahpom at 23:26 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

I'm still a fan of "isolated" vocab. I require students to use these "isolated" words in their writing. Not isolated anymore.

EngTeachGeek at 23:26 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Before writing an assignment, we often generate words for writing as a way to prepare ourselves.

sapereaude at 23:27 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Twitter is fixed!!!

Cindy at 23:27 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

@sarahpom, this is where vocab instruction starts for me with prefixes and suffixes

sapereaude at 23:27 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

EngChatGeek. Didn't mean to sound so harsh. You are going beyond list. This is a

"grocery" approach. Not sound instruction. Good extension.

Paul W. Hankins at 23:27 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Paul, my kids asked to borrow my CD's to put on ipods. Songs stuck in their heads.

Ann at 23:28 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

@Paul: No offense taken! Just explaining how I use "isolated", non-lit based vocab in an authentic way.

EngTeachGeek at 23:28 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

what methods do you use to teach prefixes and suffixes?

MissSMitch at 23:28 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

I encourage students to keep a list of "demon words" that they can't spell frequently-I show my list and will put on wallwisher #engchat

@rushtheiceberg at 23:29 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Yes, prefixes and suffixes lead to studentcentered learning. They have to find the words that use the prefixes/ suffixes and define them

sarahpom at 23:29 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

My school does word morphology for prefixes and suffixes

@rushtheiceberg at 23:29 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

I agree that morphology is a great way to have students work with the parts of speech Mary Donnelly at 23:30 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

what methods do you use to teach prefixes and suffixes? via @MissSmitch

sapereaude at 23:30 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

I also like creating Frayer Models on the IWB

Mary Donnelly at 23:30 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Are we heading back to Twitter/TweetDeck? It seems to be back and working.

tkraz at 23:30 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

What are Frayer Models?

EngTeachGeek at 23:31 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Anyone use Wordly Wise?

Pabs1234 at 23:31 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

I define the prefixes and then the students find and define the words.

sarahpom at 23:31 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

@engteachgeek, it's the four box model 1. word 2. definition 3. what it's not 4. picture to help you remember the word

sapereaude at 23:31 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

what do you all think? go back to twitter and try it? not everyone is on the same page :)

sapereaude at 23:32 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Frayer model is a chart where students break down the characteristics of a word definition, synonyms, examples,

nonexamples

Mary Donnelly at 23:32 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Oooohhh...just Googled Frayer Models. Will let my students have this option for vocab exercises! Likey!

EngTeachGeek at 23:32 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Yes, Frayer models are great for low readers.

sarahpom at 23:32 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Frayer does look exciting - what is a nonexample?

MissSMitch at 23:33 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

I'm for going back to twitter...

@rushtheiceberg at 23:33 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Yup - I'm up for going back to Twitter too.

MissSMitch at 23:33 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

Twitter is now working

@ghewgley at 23:33 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

ok, let's try it, this meet will be here incase we run into trouble again, thanks for your flexibility around #engchat

sapereaude at 23:33 PM, 16 Aug 2010 via web

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