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- First Vocabulary Program Designed for Today's Tests
- Research-Based
- Aligns to State Standards and No Child Left Behind

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Comprehensive Teaching Materials

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## Accelerate Vocabulary Growth

Powerful, robust vocabulary instruction is a key catalyst for students' success in reading. Research shows that direct instruction in word meanings combined with strategies to learn words independently can significantly improve reading comprehension and achievement (Beck, McKeown, 2002; Carver, 1995; Nagy and Herman, 1987). Powerful Vocabulary for Reading Success provides this key component of instruction on a daily basis.

## Teachers Nationwide Say...

© they want a program based on the latest research.
Powerful Vocabulary for Reading Success builds important vocabulary skills and strategies by providing lessons founded on research-based vocabulary practices.
© they want a balance between explicit instruction and independent practice.
Powerful Vocabulary for Reading Success combines teacherdirected instruction-including explicitThink-Alouds-with independent purposeful practice.
$\bigcirc$ they want a program that is easy to manage.
Powerful Vocabulary for Reading Success provides easy-tofollow lessons that allow students to achieve success in just fifteen minutes a day. A five-day and three-day planner chart help teachers customize instruction to fit their busy schedules.
$\bigcirc$ they want a program that prepares their students for high-stakes tests.
Powerful Vocabulary for Reading Success prepares students for high-stakes tests through the study of academic vocabulary that is highly correlated to state and national tests, and it includes test-like assessments.
© they want the words students learn to be important and highly useful.
Powerful Vocabulary for Reading Success exposes students to high-frequency, generalizable academic words that cross disciplines and boost reading comprehension and achievement.
$\bigcirc$ they want vocabulary instruction that goes beyond mastering words on a list.
Powerful Vocabulary for Reading Success helps students master the vocabulary strategies they need to learn hundreds of words independently.

## Here's a Research-Based Instructional Program That Does It All

## Strategies That Ensure Vocabulary Learning Beyond a List

Built into each grade-level lesson are research-based vocabulary strategies that provide practice and mastery in using context clues, understanding word parts, making associations, seeing word patterns, using semantic mapping, and other strategies designed to expand students' vocabulary.
When students study the words on a list, they learn not only those words but the strategies they need to learn the meaning of other like words they encounter in their reading.

## A Variety of Instructional and Practice Exercises

Powerful Vocabulary for Reading Success provides a range of experiences including reading, writing, and speaking and listening. It provides a variety of learning situations in which students can work, including partner, small-group, and independent work.

## Multiple Exposure to Important Words

In addition to variety, students benefit from multiple opportunities to interact with targeted words and their definitions. Meaningful activities enable all students, including English Language Learners, to encounter and use each vocabulary word at least seven times (number supported by research), reinforcing their understanding and ensuring long-term retention.

## Improved Reading Achievement and Better Test Scores

Powerful Vocabulary for Reading Success accelerates vocabulary growth, leading to improved reading comprehension, oral communication, increased writing ability, and improved overall achievement. The program helps raise test scores through instruction of robust academic and content-area words that are found on national and state tests.

> "The best way for students to learn and retain new vocabulary is not by memorizing definitions, but rather by using new words repeatedly in interesting and thought-provoking contexts."

# Award-Winning Authors 

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Dr. Block, co-author of Powerful Vocabulary for Reading Success, has been on the Graduate Faculty of Texas Christian University since 1977. She is the author of several books and has written more than 90 articles for professional journals. Dr. Block serves on standing committees for the American Educational Research Association, International Reading Association, National Council for Excellence in Thinking Instruction, and National Reading Conference.

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# A Powerful Program Based on the Latest Research 

| FEATURE | DESCRIPTION | RESEARCH-BASE |
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## Grades 3-6

Aligns to State Standards and No Child Left Behind for Vocabulary Development.

## A Flexible and Easy-to-Manage Program

Powerful Vocabulary for Reading Success is flexible, enabling teachers to use the program as a complete independent vocabulary program in grades $3-6$ or as a supplement to the school's current reading program.

Each lesson section takes approximately fifteen minutes to complete. One or more sections may be taught each day, spread out over the week, or used flexibly to accommodate scheduling and curriculum requirements.

## An Effective Program Structure

Each Powerful Vocabulary for Reading Success student book contains four chapters with effective and easy-to-use lessons. The lessons help students learn important words and develop the skills they need to meet state standards and do well on standardized tests.

## CHAPTER 1: CONTEXT CLUES

CHAPTER 2: WORDS \& THEIR PARTS

CHAPTER 3: CONTENT WORDS

## Standards Connection

Students use syntax and context clues to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words.

## Standards Connection

Students use knowledge of word parts (prefixes, suffixes, roots, compound words, related words) to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words.

## Standards Connection

Students determine the meaning of content words.


## Standards Connection

Students use knowledge of word origins and derivatives to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words.
Students determine the meaning of homophones and commonly confused words.
Students determine the meaning of figurative language and idioms.

## Powerful Vocabulary for Reading Success

## Student Materials that

## Teach Students Impo

## Chapter 1: Context Clues

## Where Do the Vocabulary Words Come From?

The vocabulary words students learn in this chapter are ones they are expected to know at each grade level as identified by lists such as the Harris-Jacobson and Francis Kucera word lists.

## How Are the Word Lists Organized?

Words are organized by parts of speech, multiple-meaning words, synonyms, and antonyms.

## What Strategy Do Students Apply to Determine Their Meaning?

Students learn to use context clues to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words.

All of the vocabulary words to learn in this lesson are verbs.

Students learn an important tip about verbs that will help them learn new words.

Students learn to use context clues to find the meaning of unfamiliar words.

Read Words in Context
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- After students use context clues to determine word meaning, they reinforce their new knowledge by connecting each word to its definition.

> Students read high-interest, engaging passages.

## rtant Word-Learning Strategies

## Chapter 2: Words and Their Parts

## Where Do the Words Come From?

The vocabulary words in this chapter are more challenging than in Chapter 1. They are at a higher grade level than indicated by the Harris-Jacobson or Francis Kucera word lists. Students can use their knowledge of word parts to determine an unfamiliar word's meaning.

## How Are the Word Lists Organized?

Vocabulary words are organized by prefixes, suffixes, roots, compound words, and related words.

## What Strategy Do Students Apply to Determine Their Meaning?

Students use their knowledge of word parts to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words.

Be a Word Architect


All of the vocabulary words to learn in this lesson have the same targeted word parts-in this case, prefixes.

Students learn what prefixes are and an important principle that will help them learn new words with these prefixes.

Students learn to use their knowledge of prefixes to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words.

Students sort vocabulary words to place them on the correct branch of the graphic organizer prefix tree.

## Powerful Vocabulary for Reading Success

## Sturdent Materials that Teach High-Utility

## Chapter 3: Content Words

## Where Do the Words Come From?

The vocabulary words in this chapter include content-area words that are likely to be assessed on standardized and state achievement tests. The McRel lists, Fry's Basic Words of the English Language, and actual textbooks were used as references for the words selected.

## How Are the Word Lists Organized?

Vocabulary words are organized by the content areasmath, science, social studies, geography, and language arts. The chapter also contains test-taking words.

## What Strategy Do Students Apply to Determine Their Meaning?

Students learn to determine the meaning of content words by thinking about the topic and the relationship of each unknown word to that topic.

All of the vocabulary words to learn are science words. They are connected to the topic of space.

Students learn an important principle about words they encounter in the content area.

Students learn to make connections between the big idea or subject they are reading about and the unknown word to determine its meaning.

All words appear in boldface in context in the type of material students might read in that content area.

Charts and diagrams further enrich students' understanding of content-area words.

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Learn Words About a New Subject









## and Academic Words

## Chapter 4: Words \& Their Histories

## Where Do the Words Come From?

This chapter focuses on words that have interesting histories or sounds. They are derived from lists such as the Harrison-Jacobson and Francis Kucera word lists among others, as well as from standard references texts on idioms and word origins.

## How Are the Word Lists Organized?

Vocabulary words are organized by word histories, homophones, commonly-confused words, and idioms.

## What Strategy Do Students Apply to Determine Their Meaning?

Students learn to determine a word's meaning by using a word's history as well as spelling and sound clues, and to create mnemonic devices that have personal meaning.

All of the vocabulary words to learn in this lesson derive from Greek and Latin myths.

## Read Words in Context



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Students learn an important principle about word origins. an unknown word's history to determine its meaning.

All words appear in boldface in a high-interest story that shows new words used in natural situations.

After reading the story and determining the meaning of each vocabulary word, students reinforce their understanding of how word history affects word meaning.

## Powerful Vocabulary for Reading Success

## Student Materials that Get Students Thinking About the M

## Students Read New Words in High Interest Stories



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## Students Learn Definitions While Thinking About Meaning



## Powerful Vocabulary for Reading Success

## Student Materials that Give Students Multiple 0pp

## Students Use New Vocabulary Words in Context



## ortunities to Apply New Words

Students Put Words Into Action


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## Student Materials that

## Extend Learning and

## Students Review the Words They Have Learned and Extend Their Knowledge



## Test Wastery

Students Check Mastery of the Words They Have Learned in Standardized Test Formats


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## Powerful Vocabulary for Reading Success

## Teaching Materials that

## are Systematic

Powerful Vocabulary for Reading Success offers teachers rich and engaging resources needed to build student vocabulary for successful reading comprehension. The flexible program structure and lesson plans offer teachers choice, enabling them to choose from a wide array of activities to meet individual and classroom needs.


## and Comprehensive

## Think Aloud

Offers teachers the opportunity to explicitly model thinking strategies to determine the meanings of words. Think Alouds build student skills to independently learn the words in a lesson as well as determine the meanings of unfamiliar words with similar features that they encounter in the future.

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English Language Learners
Provides instructional ideas and activities to meet the unique needs of English Language Learners.

## Independent Activity

These optional activities enhance the lesson's vocabulary building content and provide re-teaching opportunities of concepts and content.

## Powerful Vocabulary for Reading Success

## Teaching Marerials that Provide the Latest Research.


"Word learning shouldn't stop when students shut the book. Powerful Vocabulary for Reading Success makes students engaged and active learners who find and master new words in their reading, listening, and viewing in the real world."

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## Based Instructional Strategies



## Powerful Vocabulary for Reading Success

## Supplemental Materials that

## Flashcards

Reproducible flashcards, included as blackline masters in the Teacher's Edition, provide manipulative practice opportunities, helping students develop automaticity with the learning of new words.


## and Meet Diverse Needs

## Graphic Organizers

Free
Transparencies with every Grade level Teacher's Edition

Graphic organizers, available as transparencies in the Teacher's Edition, offer instant whole-class modeling of key strategies.


## Product Components

## Student Workbook

Each grade-level Student Workbook includes 26 lessons filled with high-interest nonfiction and fiction selections and engaging activities. Each lesson includes word learning tips, vocabularybuilding strategies, application exercises, assessments, and follow-up reading and writing activities.

## Teacher's Edition

Each grade-level Teacher's Edition includes:

○ 26 scaffolded lesson plans including a modeling segment, think alouds, strategies for English Language Learners, suggestions for independent student activities, mastery assessment, and student self-assessment.

○ Reproducible flashcards for structured independent practice of every word in the program to boost recognition and automaticity.
© 3 Free graphic organizers on transparencies for instant whole-class modeling of key strategies.
$\bigcirc$ Concise review of the latest and most significant research on vocabulary instruction.

○ Complete answer key.
$\bigcirc$ Ongoing Mystery-Word-of-the Week learning game.
$\bigcirc$ Glossary of all words and definitions used in the grade-level Student Edition.


## Flexible Program Makes Implementation Easy

"Direct instruction of vocabulary relevant to a given text leads to better reading comprehension.

Direct instruction includes:

- providing students with specific word instruction
- teaching students word-learning strategies."



## 15 Minutes a Day To Hundreds of New Words a Year!

Powerful Vocabulary for Reading Success is the first vocabulary program to offer you a systematic, teacherdirected approach to improving your students' reading achievement. This unique program is:

## Research-Based

Developed based on research that is proven effective for all students. Aligns to State Standards and No Child Left Behind for Vocabulary Development.

## Explicit and Comprehensive

An easy-to-manage, complete instructional program that models effective word learning and gives multiple exposures to hundreds of important words to ensure mastery.

## Strategy Based

Teaches word learning principles and strategies together to increase vocabulary rapidly and to make vocabulary learning an on-going, cumulative process.

## Test Score Boosting

Gives instruction for hundreds of high-utility, academic and content-area words and effective tools for deciphering hundreds more unknown words all found on state and national tests. A powerful combination for ensuring higher test scores.

At just $\$ 8.70$ per student, Powerful Vocabulary for Reading Success is designed to help develop successful readers and raise standards-based test scores in grades 3-6.

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