

Chapter 6 Language

It is important to have a good vocabulary as it is a valuable asset in this world. It is particularly important within the education system and students should aspire to continually increase their vocabulary. It allows you to express yourself in a more effective and proficient manner.



To increase your vocabulary you don't have to memorize the entire dictionary. By reading you can learn new vocabulary all of the time. Read more books, articles, magazines, and newspapers. Highlight the words you don't understand. Get yourself a notebook for vocabulary building, write down the words you highlighted and then look them up in the dictionary. Note the meaning, context, and pronunciation of these words. Then try to incorporate these words into your speech and written language. By doing this simple task you are constantly building your repertoire of words.

OTHER TIPS FOR VOCAB BUILDING



- Play scrabble. Use a thesaurus when you play
- Do crossword puzzles
- Use flash cards. Scan the dictionary for words you are unfamiliar with. Write them on a flash card. Use the flash cards as much as possible.
- Buy a book of vocabulary words. These usually have exercises in the back that will help you reinforce your vocabulary.
- Join email lists that introduce a new vocabulary word a day.

Remember a large vocabulary
is beneficial to you

Here is some useful vocabulary to get you started

To indicate more information

- Besides
- Making an additional point; anyway
- Furthermore
- In addition
- Moreover
- Likewise
- In fact
- Also
- Firstly, Secondly, Thirdly



To indicate an example

- For example
- For instance
- In particular
- Specifically
- To illustrate
- To demonstrate

To indicate a cause or reason

- Since
- Because
- Due to
- For the reason that
- As
- Consequently
- Hence
- Therefore
- Thus

To conclude

- For the aforementioned reasons
- To sum up the foregoing,
- Given these facts
- In conclusion, to conclude
- In closing

To describe or make

- portray
- depict
- exhibit
- illustrate
- expose
- present
- represent
- demonstrate
- embodied



To prove

- attest - Provide evidence for
- testify - Provide evidence for
- certify - Provide evidence for
- endorse, indorse - Give support or one's approval to
- establish

To compare or contrast

- Whereas
- In comparison
- In contrast
- However
- Although
- On the other hand
- Likewise
- Similarly
- But
- Yet
- Nevertheless - Despite anything to the contrary
- Nonetheless - Despite anything to the contrary
- Notwithstanding - Despite anything to the contrary
- Even so - Despite anything to the contrary
- All the same - Despite anything to the contrary

To indicate time

- After
- Before
- Currently
- During
- Eventually
- Finally
- First, Second, etc.
- Formerly

- Immediately
- Initially
- Lastly
- Later
- Meanwhile
- Next
- Once
- Previously
- Simultaneously
- Soon
- Subsequently
- Subsequent - Following in time and order
- In due time
- Henceforth



To indicate certainty

- Truly
- Sincerely
- Genuinely
- Surely
- Rightfully
- Absolutely
- Indubitably
- Certainly
- Without doubt
- Needless to say

To indicate doubt

- Most likely
- More likely
- Possibly
- Probably
- Dubitable
- Dubious - Distressed with uncertainty or doubt

To summarize

- Overall
- To summarize
- In summary
- To sum up
- Paraphrased
- Briefly
- In brief
- To put it briefly

To express positive words

- magnificent
- grandeur - The quality of being magnificent or splendid or grand, the quality of being exalted in character or ideals or conduct
- magnanimous
- fantastic
- fantastical
- phenomenal
- wonderful
- extraordinary
- marvellous
- superb
- good
- fine
- great
- excellent
- spectacular
- prodigious
- grand
- brilliant
- glorious - Bringing great happiness and thankfulness
- illustrious - Widely known and esteemed
- notable - Worthy of notice
- respected
- impressive
- splendid
- splendiferous - Having great beauty and splendour



Said

- pronounced
- articulated
- vocalized
- posited
- stated
- expressed
- reported
- alleged
- averred - Report or maintain, To declare or affirm in a grave manner and formally as true
- affirmed, asserted
- wrote
- composed

Noted (said)

- remarked
- observed
- commented
- mentioned
- referred
- announced



Numerous

- innumerable
- many
- various
- several
- diverse
- umpteen