

Vocabulary Instruction for AAC Learners

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Supplemental Resources

Handout with PPT Slides Posted on PrAACtical AAC (www.PrAACticalAAC.org: AAC eToolbox (under Organizations & Handouts)

Apps to Support Vocabulary Activities

- Lauren Enders' collection of apps: <http://bit.ly/YIELI1>
- BitStrips: <http://www.bitstrips.com/>
- Conversation Therapy: <http://bit.ly/1ahIBro>
- Cool to Be Clever: <http://www.agiopublishing.com/coolapp/>
- Doppel Me: <http://doppelme.com/>
- Enchanted Dictionary by Golden Communications: <http://goldencommunicationsllc.com/>
- Hipster Dress Up: <http://hyptod.com/games/hipster-dress-up/hipster-dress-up.html>
- InferCabulary: <http://www.communicationapptitude.com/#lipad-apps/c8k2>
- Morpho: <http://www.morfoapp.com/>
- Opposite Ocean by NRCC Games: <http://bit.ly/UmlgZu>
- Pictello: <http://www.assistiveware.com/product/pictello>
- Same Meaning Magic by NRCC Games: <http://tinyurl.com/98djtnq>
- Shadow Puppet: <https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/shadow-puppet-edu/id888504640?mt=8>
- Super Duper Idioms App: <http://bit.ly/1ahNb99>
- Super Kids 4th-6th Grade Vocabulary: <http://bit.ly/1uGuxFv> (Other grade levels available)
- WordQuations: <http://www.communicationapptitude.com/#!wordquations/cs80>

Websites

- Acrostic Poems: <http://rwtverio.ncte.org/materials/acrostic/index.html>
- Inside Story Flashcards: <http://insidestoryflashcards.com/>
- Mii: <http://www.blogcdn.com/www.joystiq.com/media/2006/10/mii.swf>
- PicLits: <http://www.piclits.com/>
- Tarheel Reader: <http://tarheelreader.org/>
- Tellagami: <https://telligami.com/>
- Voki: <http://www.voki.com/>

- Word Hippo: <http://www.wordhippo.com/>
- Wordsift: <http://www.wordsift.com/>
- Wordia: <http://www.wordia.com/>

Making Online Lessons

- Jog the Web: <http://www.jogtheweb.com>

Digital Word Walls

- Linolt: <http://en.linoit.com/>
- Wall Wisher: www.wallwisher.com

Word Clouds

- ABCya: <http://www.abcya.com/>
- Tagxedo: <http://www.tagxedo.com/>
- Wordle: www.wordle.net
- WordFoto: <https://itunes.apple.com/au/app/wordfoto/id414002091?mt=8>

Online & Visual Dictionaries

- Lexipedia: <http://www.lexipedia.com/>
- Lingro: <http://lingro.com/>
- Shahi: <http://blachan.com/shahi/>
- Snappy Words: <http://www.snappywords.com/>
- VisuWords: <http://visuwords.com/>
- WordFlex: <http://wordflex.com/>

Mind Mapping Site/Apps

- Mind Meister: <http://www.mindmeister.com>
- iThoughts: <http://www.ithoughts.co.uk>

Note: Be sure to follow your agency guidelines in using any digital tools or websites in addressing issues of student privacy, access to appropriate material, cyber safety, etc.

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