Identify the words students need to know.

Vocabulary is crucial for reading comprehension and success in school and career. Educators need current, academically relevant vocabulary tools to prepare and test students for the words they will face in learning across the curriculum. They need trusted learning resources and assessments loaded with the right words when and where students encounter them.

That’s where the Lexile® WordBank comes in. The WordBank is a licensable database that can be used in a variety of educational applications to make vocabulary manageable for educators and students.

With the WordBank...

Develop curriculum materials and assessments to target vocabulary that students should already know or to introduce new words. Query, filter and sort the WordBank to:

- Verify or create content for grade-level appropriateness and determine coverage and representativeness of content.
- Identify general academic, high-utility words used repeatedly and across domains to help students build meaning in their disciplinary reading.
- Make relevant test items with vocabulary students have been exposed to.
- Integrate high-priority academic words for vocabulary instruction into materials and interactive tools for math, science, social studies and reading/English Language Arts in each K-12 grade.
Why trust the WordBank? Consider the source.
The WordBank’s approximately 50,000 words come from the top four best-selling K-12 textbook programs published since 2011, unlike many word lists based on out-of-date resources. And, unlike many existing academic vocabulary resources that were developed using texts intended for adults, the WordBank comprises words from K-12 textbook programs only. When you develop learning and assessment resources with the WordBank, the vocabulary is recent and relevant.

Determine which words matter the most.
Learning the right words at the right time is the key to building a strong vocabulary foundation. With the WordBank, that’s possible so you can answer questions like:

1) In which grade do students typically first encounter the word budget?
   ✓ 2nd grade
   ✓ 3rd grade
   ✓ 4th grade

2) By which grade should students understand algorithm?
   ✓ 5th-6th grade
   ✓ 6th-8th grade
   ✓ 7th-9th grade

3) Have 5th grade students typically been exposed to fabricate yet?
   ✓ Yes
   ✓ No

Answers: 1) 3rd grade 2) 6th-8th grade 3) No.

Learn more
The Lexile team is available to answer questions and provide support for the WordBank. Contact:

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