# Proven Strategies For Building Academic Vocabulary Fast



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Academic vocabulary is the set of words that are used in academic settings, such as classrooms, textbooks, and research papers. It is a complex and specialized vocabulary that can be difficult for students to learn. However, there are a number of proven strategies that can help students build their academic vocabulary fast.

#### **Strategies**

#### 1. Use a Vocabulary List

One of the best ways to build academic vocabulary is to use a vocabulary list. A vocabulary list is simply a list of words that are important to know.

Students can create their own vocabulary lists or find pre-made lists online or in textbooks. When using a vocabulary list, it is important to:

- Look up the words you don't know. Use a dictionary or online resource to find the definitions of the words you don't know.
- Write down the words and definitions. This will help you to remember the words and their meanings.
- Review the words regularly. The best way to learn new words is to review them regularly. Set aside time each day or week to review the words on your vocabulary list.

#### 2. Read Widely

Another great way to build your academic vocabulary is to read widely. When you read, you are exposed to new words in context. This can help you to learn the meanings of the words and how they are used. When reading, it is important to:

- Choose texts that are appropriate for your level. If the text is too difficult, you will not be able to understand the new words.
- Pay attention to the context. The context will help you to understand the meanings of the new words.
- Look up the words you don't know. If you come across a word you don't know, look it up in a dictionary or online resource.

#### 3. Talk About Vocabulary

Talking about vocabulary is a great way to improve your understanding of the words and how they are used. Talk about vocabulary with your classmates, teachers, or family members. You can:

- Discuss the meanings of words. What do the words mean? How are they different from other words? How are they similar?
- Use the words in sentences. This will help you to practice using the words and to learn how they are used in context.
- Play vocabulary games. There are many different vocabulary games that can be used to practice learning new words.

#### 4. Use Technology

There are a number of technology tools that can help you to build your academic vocabulary. These tools include:

- Online dictionaries and thesauruses. These tools can be used to look up the definitions and synonyms of words.
- Vocabulary apps. There are a number of different vocabulary apps that can be used to learn new words and practice using them.
- Online vocabulary games. There are a number of online vocabulary games that can be used to practice learning new words in a fun and interactive way.

Building academic vocabulary is a challenging but important task. By incorporating the strategies outlined in this article into their learning routine, students can significantly expand their vocabulary and improve their academic performance.

#### **Additional Tips**

- Be consistent. The most important thing is to be consistent with your vocabulary learning. Set aside time each day or week to work on building your vocabulary.
- Make it fun. If you are not enjoying the process of learning new words, you are less likely to stick with it. Find ways to make learning vocabulary fun and engaging.
- Be patient. Building vocabulary takes time and effort. Don't get discouraged if you don't see results immediately. Just keep at it and you will eventually see improvement.



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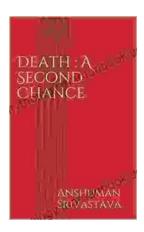
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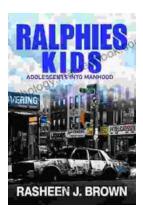
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