

Sample
Systematic Vocabulary Instruction Word List
ELA K-12

Grade Level	cc	Word (common core words are bolded)	Definition
K	RL: K.10 RI: K.10	activities	Things that people spend time doing.
K	RL: K.2,K.3,K.7,K.9	character	A person in a story, play, or movie.
K	RF: K.2a,K.2e	ending sound	The last sound you hear in a word
K	L: K.5	opposite	Two things that are completely different
K	L: K.1	plural	A word form used to indicate more than one
1	L: 1.1	adjective	A word that describes someone or something. Example: beautiful, green
1	RI: 1.4	determine	To decide or settle finally and without question.
1	W: 1.2,1.7	facts	A statement that can be proven
1	RL: 1.1,1.5 RI: 1.3 W: 1.2,1.6,1.8 SL: 1.3	information	Knowledge or facts that come from a source.
1	RL: 1.2,1.3	lesson	Something learned by study or experience
1	W: 1.1	opinion	A personal judgment that someone thinks is true, but that may be true or false
1	W: 1.5	revise	To correct or edit so as to improve
2	RL: 2.4	alliteration	The repetition of the same initial letter in successive words; it is done for effect.
2	RL: 2.9 RI: 2.3,2.9	compare/contrast	How two things are alike and how they are different
2	RI: 2.10 SL: 2.2	graphics	Charts, maps, drawings, and other images used in printed works such as books and magazines.
2	RI: 2.8	justify	To show good reasons or cause for.
2	W: 2.10	narrative	A story, description, or account of events.

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3	W: 3.7,3.8	bibliography	A list of writings with time and place of publication
3	SL: 3.2	media	the means of distributing information to large numbers of people, through newspapers, magazines, radio, and television; mass media.
3	RI: 3.10	nonfiction	Writing that tells about real people, places, and events.
3	W: 3.1 SL: 3.3	opinion	A personal judgment that someone thinks is true, but that may be true or false
3	W: 3.5,3.10	proofread	To examine for mistakes and make corrections
4	L: 4.2	analogy	A comparison of two different things that are similar in some way
4	W: 4.7,4.8	cite	Make reference to; to quote (a passage, book, author, etc.),
4	RL: 4.3 L: 4.2	dialogue	A talk between two or more people or between characters in a play, film, or novel.
4	SL: 4.2	diverse	Of different kinds or sorts.
4	RL: 4.10 RF: 4.4	genre	A category of art, music, or literature
5	RI: 5.4 L: 5.5	antonym	A word having a meaning opposite to that of another word
5	RL: 5.3,5.9	characteristics	Features that identify something or someone
5	RL: 5.9	culture	The knowledge and values shared by a society
5	SL: 5.3	fallacy	A false or misleading idea or notion
5	RL: 5.4	imagery	Language that appeals to the senses...sight, hearing, smell, taste, and touch.
6	SL: 6.4	accentuate	To give more emphasis to; draw attention to.
6	L: 6.1	ambiguity	Uncertainty or vagueness in meaning, intention, or the like.
6	RL: 6.5 RI: 6.5	stanza	A fixed number of lines of verse forming a unit of a poem
6	RL: 6.2 W: 6.1,6.9 SL: 6.1	supporting details	Sentences in a paragraph or piece of text that explain or support the main idea of the text
6	W: 6.1,6.2	thesis statement	The sentence or two in your text that contains the focus of your essay and tells your reader what the essay is going to be about.

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7	L:7.4	etymology	The history of a word shown by tracing it or its parts back to the earliest known forms
7	W:7.3	foreshadowing	A writer's use of hints or clues to suggest events that will occur later in the plot.
7	RL:7.4	metaphor	A comparison of two things that have something in common...it states one thing is something else.
7	SL:7.4, 7.5	salient	Extremely noticeable or prominent; conspicuous; important.
7	RL:7.5	soliloquy	A speech voicing his or her own thoughts as if to himself.
8	L 8.1, 8.3	active voice	The verb form (or voice) in which the subject of the sentence performs or causes the action expressed by the verb.
8	W 8.9	bias	A personal judgment either for or against a particular person, position, or thing.
8	RL 8.4	idiom	A phrase or expression in which the meaning is different than the literal meaning of the words
8	RL 8.4 RI 8.4	onomatopoeia	The use of words whose sounds suggest their meaning...meow, buzz, splash.
8	L 8.5 RL 8.4 RI 8.4	personification	To give human qualities to something that isn't human.
9-10	W 9-10.6	disseminate	To spread information, knowledge, opinions widely.
9-10	RL 9-10.1, 9-10.2 RI 9-10.1	inference	A conclusion reached on the basis of evidence and reasoning
9-10	L 9-10.5	oxymoron	A combination of contradictory words, such as "tiny giant"
9-10	L 9-10.5	paradox	A statement that seems to go against common sense but may still be true
9-10	RL 9-10.5 RI 9-10.6 SL 9-10.3 L 9-10.1	parallelism	In writing, the use of similarity in construction and form within a unit such as a sentence, paragraph, or stanza, or an instance of this.

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11-12	RI 11-12.8 W 11-12.9	advocacy	the giving of support to an idea, person, or cause.
11-12	RL 11-12.5 RI 11-12.6	aesthetic	Relates to the beauty of form in works of art, including literature, dance, music, and the like.
11-12	L 11-12.5	euphemism	An inoffensive or indirect expression that is substituted for one that is considered offensive or too harsh
11-12	L 11-12.5	paradox	A statement that seems to go against common sense but may still be true
11-12	L:11-12.3 W 11-12.1, 11-12.2 SL 11-12.4	syntax	The way in which words are put together to form phrases, sentences, and clauses