

## English Language Development: Vocabulary

Students will develop English vocabulary such as topic specific vocabulary, idiomatic expressions, basic nouns and verbs, high frequency words, and general academic vocabulary necessary for everyday life and school life.

Specific Indicator (the student will)	Illustrative Examples
Understand and use the most frequent English words	See: basic word lists <a href="http://www.esldesk.com/vocabulary/basic">http://www.esldesk.com/vocabulary/basic</a>  See: Dolch word lists <a href="http://www.esldesk.com/vocabulary/dolch">http://www.esldesk.com/vocabulary/dolch</a>
Understand and use high frequency words necessary for social interaction	Greetings and goodbyes, requests, refusals, introductions, compliments, narrating events
Understand and use common abbreviations and symbols	<i>e.g. Dr., Mr., \$, &amp;</i>
Understand and use high frequency cross-curricular words	<i>e.g. change, play, run, line, add</i>
Use and understand common idioms, slang, and reductions	<i>e.g. piece of cake, drive me crazy, knock on wood, green thumb e.g. (slang changes) sic, gym strip, yo, owns it e.g. gonna, wanna, hafta, s'up e.g. idioms in P.A. announcements such as: report to, stand by, that's all for now</i>
Understand and use general academic vocabulary (nouns and verbs) involved in subject areas	Math terms <i>e.g. numbers, operations, shapes and patterns</i> Science terms <i>e.g. measurement, weather, sky &amp; space</i> Geography terms <i>e.g. directions, map terms, city features</i>

See also: The Internet Picture Dictionary

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