

VOCABULARY VULCANIZING IDEAS FOR CLASSROOM USE.....

- Build word consciousness in students --Model enthusiasm-- Collect words
- Mystery words – divide into academic and content words (Does this word fit in my [science] book?)
- Word walls and or Word webs
- Antonyms and synonyms
- Prefix, suffix and root identification
- Trigger words for decoding (However, therefore, But...)
- Venn diagrams (good way to distinguish academic and content words)
- Traffic Light MO – Green = good to go, red = stop and see what it means, figure out, yellow = chat and check
- Highlighters – tools for discovery
- Quiz Quiz Trade each person has one card and quizzes partner-- explain then trade--find another partner
- Vocab Connections – what can we link these words to?
- Vocabulary Floods – related words
- “Vocabulary” (Binghamton City Schools’ favorite)
- Vocab Clusters & super clusters
- Read-alouds with rich vocabulary
- Word-families (clusters)
- Gross-motor Vocabulary
- Gradients of meaning – positive vs. negative words