

Word Web

Guided Practice Activity

Time Required:

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Group Size:



Materials Needed:

Blank web 

Related Activities:

LE 6.2–6.4

Objective: The student will name items related to a theme.

Evidence Base: Using a list of words to develop a map of relationships is an effective method to learn and remember categories (Honig, Diamond, & Gutlohn, 2000).

Directions:

- 1) Before the lesson, print out six copies of the blank word web provided on the CD-ROM. Depending on the student's writing ability, you may complete the word webs or ask the student to complete them.
- 2) Introduce the activity and demonstrate how to use the word web. For example, write the theme "airport" in the center of the word web and say, "**Let's talk about airports. Tell me some things that go with airports or that you might find at an airport.**"
- 3) Supply one or two responses to get the student started, or use prompting questions such as, "**What kind of machines might be at an airport?**"
- 4) Reinforce sensible responses and write them on the lines that extend from the center of the word web. Query nonsensical responses.
- 5) Repeat the activity using the other themes listed below.

Group Modification: Ask students to take turns naming items related to the theme. You may either complete a single word web as a class or ask each student to complete his or her own word web.

Themes

airport
 making a sandwich
 construction site
 cooking spaghetti
 a baby's room
 furniture store



Standards Link

Name and describe two to three objects that are related to a concept.
 – Idaho Content Standards—Language Arts