eVoc Strategies: 10 Ways to Use Technology to Build Vocabulary
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“An eVoc strategy is an electronic, or technology-based strategy that teachers can sue to develop students’ vocabulary” (Dalton & Grisham, 2011, p. 306).

“Improving students’ vocabulary is an area of urgent need if we are to develop the advanced literacy levels required for success in school and beyond” (Dalton & Grisham, 2011, p. 306).


“Studies confirm the high correlation between vocabulary knowledge and reading comprehension” (Dalton & Grisham, 2011, p. 307).

“Students with well-developed vocabulary learn more words indirectly through reading than from instruction” (Dalton & Grisham, 2011, p. 307).

Summary:
This article expresses the importance of students having a good vocabulary. Having a good vocabulary is important for reading, comprehending, communicating and learning. “Tools that capture the interest of students and that provide scaffolds and contexts in which to learn with, and about, words more profitably” (Dalton & Grisham, 2011, p. 306). Along with vocabulary instruction, teachers need to provide a good amount of reading material and time for their students to read. Students are also often more willing to read and research when the topic is one that they are interested in and enjoy. After being given chances to read and explore, it’s important for students to be able to talk about what they have read; “Conversations about their reading with adults and peers also strengthen students’ word learning” (Dalton & Grisham, 2011, p. 307). Within the article 10 technology ideas are presented for ways to teach and explore vocabulary. Several online tools are given for teachers to
use within the classroom with their students. Ideas include; Wordle, Wordsift, and Trackstar. Other good tools to use are; graphic organizers, PowerPoint, crossword puzzles, and word scrambles. The article also provided a list of websites that contain good articles and information about current events that would be good for students. Some of these websites include; Time for Kids, Weekly Reader, National Geographic for Kids and Science New for Kids.