



Learning at Home

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Learning activity

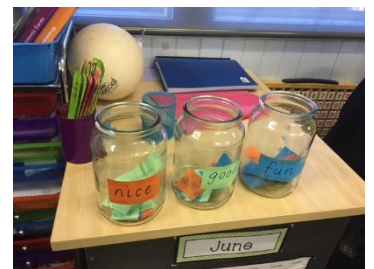
WORD JAR

How many new words can you discover while learning at home?



What you will need:

- paper or sticky notes and a pen
- a large jar or container (optional)
- computer or device (optional).



What to do:

1. Create a *Word Jar* by using an old jar or use the paper template below.
2. During the week, as you notice, read or hear interesting and new words, write them on a slip of paper and add them to your *Word Jar*.
3. Use a dictionary or google search to find the meanings of the new words.
4. Look out for these new words in other places, eg on TV or in books.
5. Try to use these interesting words in your conversation and writing.
6. Find some synonyms for these new words (words with a similar meaning).
7. Share your new words with other people in your home.



Here are some new words to get you started: *lexicon, amphigory, etymology*.



What learning is happening:

- developing and extending your vocabulary
- becoming more aware of new words
- improving the oral language skill of pronunciation
- extending your writing by using interesting vocabulary.



Links to more information:

- Online dictionaries
 - <https://kids.wordsmyth.net/we/>
 - <https://kids.britannica.com/kids/browse/dictionary>
- Word Origins - <https://www.etymonline.com/>
- [Learning at home](#)¹ on the Department of Education website

¹ www.education.tas.gov.au/parents-carers/learning-at-home/

Word Jar

