

Useful Teaching Resources for the middle-grade Level

1. Letter sounds and corresponding vocabulary words

A. Vowels

short vowel 'a'	ant, cat, map
short vowel 'e'	egg, hen, bed
short vowel 'i'	ink, pig, sit
short vowel 'o'	ox, hot, mop
short vowel 'u'	up, cut, tub

B. Consonants

b	bag, boy, bird
c	can, cake, cup
d	dog, desk, duck
f	fish, fan, fox
g	goat, game, girl
h	hat, ham, hand
j	jet, jam, jump
k	key, kite, king
l	leg, lion, lamp
m	mom, milk, monkey
n	nine, nose, neck
p	pig, pot, pen
q	queen, quiz, quilt
r	red, ruler, rabbit
s	sea, sun, sister
t	ten, toy, top
v	van, vest, violin
w	watch, water, window
x	six, fox, box
y	yes, yoyo, yellow
z	zebra, zoo, zero

2. Vocabulary words by theme

1. Family (4/6)

-- grandfather (grandpa), grandmother (grandma), father (dad, daddy),

mother (mom, mommy), brother, sister

2. People & Occupation (3/4)

-- friend, student, doctor, teacher

3. School (7/9)

-- school, book, ruler, marker, chair, eraser, pencil, pen, desk

4. Colors (4/5)

-- color, blue, yellow, red, green

5. Numbers (12/12)

-- one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve

6. Fruits (3/3)

-- apple, banana, orange

7. Food & Drinks (8/11)

-- cake, milk, hot dog, sandwich, hamburger, pizza, fish, rice, juice, tea, water

8. Animals (3/7)

-- turtle, dog, cat, monkey, rabbit, frog, bird

9. Toys (2/3)

-- robot, doll, kite

10. Feelings (3/6)

-- happy, angry, sad, hungry, thirsty, good

11. Appearances (4/4)

-- tall, short, big, small

12. Sports (2/3)

-- swim, run, jump

13. Ability & Talent (5/5)

-- dance, sing, read, write, draw

14. Other Verbs (3/5)

-- eat, go, sleep, like, want

15. Houses & Apartments (1/6)

-- home, kitchen, bathroom, bedroom, living room, computer

16. Transportation (2/3)

-- car, bike, bus

17. Other Nouns (1/4)

-- box, bag, name, time

18. Weather (2/5)

-- hot, cold, rainy/ raining, cloudy, sunny

19. Pronouns (4/6)

-- I (me, my), we, you (your), they, he/she, it

20. Be verbs & Auxiliaries (2/3)

-- be (am, are, is), do (does), can

21. Articles (2/2)

-- this / that / the, a(an)

22. Wh-words (0/4)

-- who, what, how, where

23. Preposition (2/4)

-- in, on, at, by

24. Holidays (15)

-- card, gift, flowers, carnation

-- witch, ghost, vampire

-- Christmas tree, Santa Claus, stockings, candy cane, star

-- rice dumpling, dragon boat, row

Note:

1. The following vocabulary word list was compiled based on the standards used to establish the vocabulary list in the 2004 Junior High & Elementary School 9 Year Curriculum Guidelines.
2. Students should learn the following list of 120 vocabulary words in the middle-grade level, as well as be able to spell the 80 underlined, commonly-used vocabulary words.
3. The total number of vocabulary words in the following list does not include words in parentheses.
4. The verb, “Be” and other auxiliary verbs, such as “do, have, will, may” are listed in their base forms. Other forms of each verb are listed after the base form in parentheses. For example: be (am, are, is, was, were, been).
5. Pronouns (I, you, he, she, it, we, they) are only listed in the subject pronoun form. The other forms of the object pronoun, including possessive adjectives, possessive pronouns and reflexive pronouns, are listed in parentheses following the subject pronoun. For example: I (me, my, mine, myself).
6. Main verbs are shown in their base forms; other forms are not shown.
7. Adjectives are shown in their base form; comparative and superlative forms are not shown.
8. Unless nouns appear in plural forms (e.g., pants), nouns are only presented in the single form.
9. If a vocabulary is included in the festival, daily conversation or classroom language vocabulary list, it won't be included here to avoid repetition.

3. Daily conversation and classroom language

1.	Look!
2.	Listen!
3.	Sorry.
4.	Stop.
5.	Be quiet!
6.	Line up.
7.	Come here.
8.	Raise your hand.
9.	Put down your hand.
10.	Stand up.
11.	Sit down.
12.	Good job!
13.	Are you ready?
14.	I don't know.
15.	Open your book.
16.	Take out your book.
17.	Close your book.
18.	Put away your book.
19.	Try again.
20.	Let's play.
21.	Good morning
22.	Good afternoon.
23.	Are you OK?
24.	Thank you.
25.	You're welcome.
26.	Excuse me.
27.	Hello! / Hi! / Hey!
28.	Bye! / Good-bye.
29.	See you.
30.	Nice to meet you. / Nice to meet you, too.

4. Basic sentence patterns

1	What's your name? My name is <u>David</u> .
2	How are you? I'm <u>fine</u> . Thank you.

3	Who's he/she? He is my <u>father</u> . She is my <u>mother</u> .
4	Is he/she your <u>mother</u> ? Is he/she a <u>student</u> ? Yes, she /he is. No, she /he isn't.
5	Are you a <u>student</u> ? Yes, I am. No, I'm not.
6	What's this/that? It's a/an <u>eraser</u> .
7	Is it /this/that a <u>pencil</u> ? Yes, it is. No, it isn't.
8	What color is it? It's <u>red</u> .
9	How old are you? I'm <u>ten</u> years old.
10	What time is it? It's <u>five</u> .
11	Where are you? I'm in the <u>living room</u> . I'm at <u>home</u> .
12	Where is the <u>cat</u> ? It's on/ in the <u>box</u> .
13	What can you do? I can <u>draw</u> .
14	Can you <u>swim</u> ? Yes, I can. No, I can't.
15	Are you <u>happy</u> ? Yes, I am. No, I'm not.
16	How's the weather? It is <u>sunny</u> .

1	What are you doing?
7	I'm <u>reading</u> .
1	Do you like <u>dogs</u> ?
8	Yes, I do. No, I don't.
1	I like <u>pizza</u> .
9	I don't like <u>hot dogs</u> .
2	What do you want?
0	I want a/an <u>orange</u> . I want some <u>juice</u> .