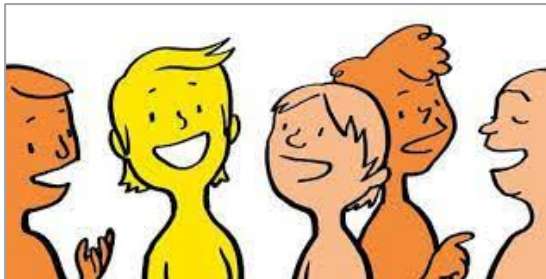


Discussions that Build Oral Language

Easy, Quick Ways to Increase Oral Language

1. Implement a daily routine for rich discussion designed to build word knowledge.
2. Label and describe everything.
3. Increase the quality of the words you use in everyday directions and conversations with students.
4. Intentionally insert the use of previously taught vocabulary words into daily class discussion. Use the word wall to encourage the use of these words in students' responses.



Oral Language Strategies

- Naming
 - Objects/People related to topic
 - Related objects/people by categories
 - Parts or objects related by attributes
 - Similar objects
- Describing
 - Category or group
 - How it works?
 - Who uses the object? How? For what purpose?
 - Where might it be found?
 - What does it look like?
 - Shape, color, size, texture, taste, etc.
 - How are they different from other similar objects in the same category?
- Critical thinking
 - How do 2 words go together?
 - How are they similar in color, size, shape, class, parts, synonym, antonyms, etc.?
 - Which word does not belong?
- Current Event Discussion (2nd and up)
- Emotional Intelligence Building
- Fill Each Other's Bucket