

Settlebeck School

Tier 2 Vocabulary

Tier 2 words are powerful words that help you understand what you're reading and make your writing even stronger. They're not as simple as everyday words like *big* or *cat*, but they're also not as tricky or technical as words like *photosynthesis* or *hypothesis*. Instead, Tier 2 words are words like *analyse*, *compare*, *evaluate*, and *complex*—words that pop up in lots of subjects, from reading and writing to science and history.

These words are important because they give you a better understanding of what's being asked in questions, books, and even instructions from your teachers. Knowing what a word like *analyse* means can help you break down a problem or figure out exactly what to do when you're given a task.

Think of Tier 2 words as "power words" that make it easier for you to understand and explain things. When you know more Tier 2 words, you can think more clearly, talk more confidently, and express yourself better in your schoolwork and beyond. Plus, they'll come in handy throughout your life as you keep learning and working toward your goals. So, the more Tier 2 words you learn and use, the stronger your language and learning skills become!

ablution	abrasion	access
acquire	adapt	adequate
advocate	aggressive	albeit
alleviate	alter	altitude
ameliorate	analogous	analyse
behind	benign	beverage
bewitch	brawl	budge
calamity	calculate	callous
capacity	cause	central
challenge	chant	chirp
chore	circulate	claim
clear	collaborate	collude
command	committee	companion
compare	complex	confer
debate	decisive	decompose

define	delineate	deny
deteriorate	detrimental	dimension
disagree	discover	direct
eccentric	ecstasy	eloquent
emerge	emphasis	employ
encounter	epic	epitome
era	escalate	establish
evaluate	excavate	explore
farce	ferocious	flaw
flighty	formidable	function
ginormous	grapple	grizzly
hamper	harmful	harness
hierarchy	hitch	honour
hybrid	hypothesis	hysteria
identical	identify	ignorance
illusion	illustrate	immense
impeccable	imperative	impression
inevitable	innate	intense
interact	intercept	irreversible
jaunt	jubilant	justify
legacy	liberal	liberate
malicious	manipulate	match
measure	menace	meteoric
migrate	misconstrue	mitigate
native	network	notation
notice	notion	numeral
objective	observe	occupy
ointment	opaque	opponent
overall	overstate	overthrow
pallid	parallel	partition
persevere	persuade	pigment

pivot	pledge	ponder
pose	precedent	prepare
presume	previous	principal
radiant	raucous	ravage
rearrange	reckless	recline
refine	reflect	region
rejoice	relate	remote
replace	request	require
revise	rewrite	rhythm
salvation	scheme	sculpt
shift	shrewd	significant
slither	solar	sparse
specify	stability	state
supreme	surge	synonymous
tamper	technique	teeming
tentative	testament	transform
treaty	trivial	troublesome
underestimate	unscathed	update
validity	vanquish	verbose
verify	versatile	version
vibrant	victor	victory
virtuous	welfare	zealous

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