

AIR Vocabulary Prep Set #1

prompt	*a question or instruction that tells you what you're supposed to write
infer	*a conclusion that can be made about someone or something based on clues
similarity	*the state of being alike or resembling another
phrase	*a sequence of two or more words; not a complete sentence
central idea	*The key points made in a text; the main ideas
text features	*items in non fiction stories that help readers better understand the information (ex. chart, diagram)
distinguish	*to point out the differences or unique characteristics between similar objects
point of view	*the position of the narrator in relation to the story
details	*pieces of information that support or tell more about the main idea
generate	*to create or produce something
opinion	*a belief or feeling about something, not based on a fact
argue	*to present reasons for or against something

AIR Vocabulary Prep Set #2

demonstrate	*to describe, explain, or show by examples or reasoning
essay	*a brief composition (piece of writing) on a single subject
convince	*to persuade someone to believe or agree to a certain idea
figurative language	*words not having their literal meaning; used for dramatic effect
draw a conclusion	*to make a judgment after considering all of the information
quote	*to write down the exact words of someone else
summarize	*telling the main points briefly; to tell the main points in a short, simple, and clear way
analyze	*to study something closely to bring out deeper meaning or structure
theme	*the central message, what the author wants you to know; often inferred by the reader
evidence	*facts, statements, or physical signs that prove something
chronological order	*events are arranged in the order in which they happened
evaluate	*to examine and judge something carefully

AIR Vocabulary Prep Set #3

passage	*a specific section of a text
persuade	*to convince or talk someone into your idea or belief
argument	*a strong statement of the meaning or main point of a text
select	*to pick or make a choice
interpret	*to give or provide the meaning for an unclear concept
plot	*the sequence of events in a story or narrative
specific	*relating to a clearly identified object
contribute	*to give or bring something to a common thought or idea
simile	*a figure of speech comparing two different objects using "like" or "as"
describe	*to tell about something in detail
conclude	*to finish; to bring something to an end
refer	*to go back to, or reference information to help guide you

AIR Vocabulary Prep Set #4

explain	*to make clear or plain for someone to understand
identify	*to select or pick something based on clues or information given
influenced	*to be persuaded by considering the facts or opinions on others
excerpt	*a piece or small section of a story selected from a book
first person	*the narrative is inside the story as a character
third person	*the narrator is outside the story and observes the characters
compare	*to examine 2 or more items in order to note similarities and differences
contrast	*to show the differences between 2 things
cite	*examples in a text that are chosen to support an answer
support	*to provide evidence for an answer
affect	*to produce a change in something
setting	*the time and place of an event