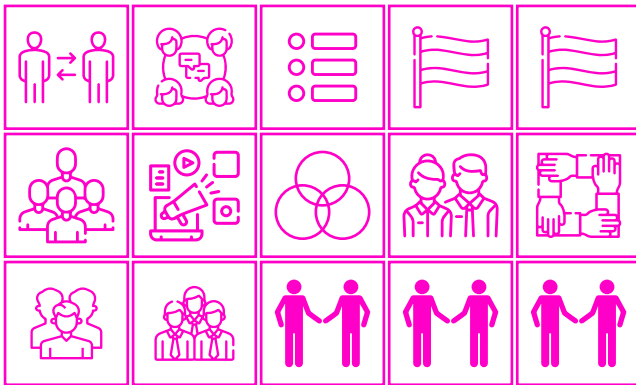


# Conceptual vocabulary

## Introduction

This activity is designed to help students remember their vocabulary conceptually. Students use images that they create to represent the words.



This form of vocabulary revision is combined into a game that students can play together to help each other remember their vocabulary.

**Webinar time reference:** 30:34 – 31:35

**Level:** Any age or level

**Time:** 15 – 20 minutes

**Aim:** To help students remember vocabulary and understand how the use of images can help.

## Preparation:

- Collect around ten words that your students have learned and that you want them to review and remember.
- Prepare a definition for each word.

## Procedure

- Tell the students that you are going to have a quiz.
- Put them into teams.
- Tell them you will read a definition, and they must guess the word being defined.
- Read out the first definition and see if they can guess the word.

- Give points to the team that guesses the word first.
- Now give or ask the students to get some small squares of paper.
- Tell the students you will say a word, and you want them to draw a picture on one of the squares of paper that represents the word. Note: Emphasise that you don't want them to write the word, only a picture.
- Read out the words and give the students time after each one to draw the picture to represent the word.
- Once they have finished, ask the students to partner with someone from across the room.
- Ask them to exchange paper squares and try to guess which words each image represents.
- Say the words again and ask the students to hold up their image. Invite them to look around and try to choose the image they think best represents the word.

### Additional resources

#### Teaching vocabulary

- Find out about flashcards, backs to the board and word bag activities in our teaching vocabulary poster that you can take into your classroom or have in the staffroom.

<https://www.teachingenglish.org.uk/article/teaching-vocabulary>

#### Remembering vocabulary

- This article presents ideas on how to help your students remember vocabulary.

<https://www.teachingenglish.org.uk/article/remembering-vocabulary>

#### Recycling vocabulary

- In your classes, students will have a valuable opportunity to pick up new vocabulary on a variety of topics. It is a good idea for you to encourage your students to revise this vocabulary on a regular basis in order for students to take 'ownership' of these words and to start to use them confidently

<https://www.teachingenglish.org.uk/article/recycling-vocabulary>

## Vocabulary activities

- Have you tried these practical activities to help students with vocabulary learning? There's something for all ages and levels.

<https://www.teachingenglish.org.uk/article/vocabulary-activities>

## The Noun Project

- Noun Project is building a global visual language resource. Here you can download collections of icon images to use in your materials and lessons.

<https://thenounproject.com/>