

Snowball Fight

Description

Snowball Fight? What better way to engage students in sharing what they have learned and allowing an opportunity to ask questions for clarification!

Materials

- White sheets of paper (one per student)
- White Crayon
- Magic Markers (one per student)

Teacher Preparation

- Before the lesson, choose the vocabulary words to be covered in the lesson. Record a word on each sheet of paper with the white crayon. (It is helpful to write the word in the center of the sheet of paper.)
- Wad each sheet of paper up into a snowball.

Procedure

- 1. Start throwing snowballs at students. When each student has a snowball, instruct each to open his/ her snowball and see what is inside. (Students will probably not notice anything at first.)
- 2. Distribute a marker to each student and have each rub the marker across the center of the sheet (horizontally and vertically) to uncover a vocabulary word from the lesson or unit.
- 3. Challenge students to record either a fact they know about the vocabulary word, an example, or a question they have about the vocabulary word.
- 4. Instruct students to wad the paper back into a snowball and toss it (no head shots) to another person in the room. He/she will look at the word and repeat the process.
- 5. After a given period of time, stop the snowball fight. Debrief the lesson by addressing questions or statements made.

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