

12 Words That Students Need To Know!

The twelve words that are listed below are test taking vocabulary words that can trip up students on standardized tests. During the past few months Williams Intermediate has been highlighting one of these words each week as our “test prep” word of the week. Each day alternative meanings, definitions, and examples of the word of the week are provided over the daily morning announcements. Please review these words with your students prior to the upcoming ITBS tests. Research shows that being knowledgeable about these 12 words can help some students and schools boost their performance on these standardized tests.

- Trace: list in steps, outline
- Analyze: examine all parts, break it on down
- Infer: give your opinion, read between the lines
- Evaluate: judge, grade, rate, tell what is good and bad
- Formulate: create, come up with, make
- Describe: explain, 5 W's and H
- Support: tell your side, convince with facts, prove it, and provide evidence
- Explain: Tell how it works, describe
- Summarize: retell briefly, tell in your own words, and tell like an ESPN clip
- Compare: Say how it is the same or different
- Contrast: Say how it is different
- Predict: tell what may happen, look into the future; pretend you have a crystal ball