

# Great Classroom Idea



Grade level: 7-10

Subject (if applicable): Language Arts

**Please check all that apply:**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> lesson plan                 | <input type="checkbox"/> project-based teaching/activity idea |
| <input type="checkbox"/> technology integration idea            | <input type="checkbox"/> graphic organizer                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> integration of faith and learning idea | <input type="checkbox"/> webquest                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> classroom management technique         | <input type="checkbox"/> virtual field trip                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> devotional                             | <input type="checkbox"/> bulletin board idea                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> science demo or experiment             | <input type="checkbox"/> critical thinking strategy           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> assessment tool                        | <input type="checkbox"/> original classroom game              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> relationship-building idea             | <input type="checkbox"/> other: _____                         |

**Description:** (attach supplementary materials if needed)

I noticed that my older students lacked vocabulary development. I integrated the use of Word Power from Reader's Digest. I have found many ways of using this. I give them a copy of word power. They can use any method possible to come up with the definitions. After self-grading they write out any word they missed in a sentence. Follow up activities can include fill-in the missing word, write a sentence, etc. I have found a website, [www.edHelper.com](http://www.edHelper.com), which will save your word lists and produce worksheets, a real time saver. I also like to challenge my students to use the words in a story. Some of the stories can be quite creative.

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