



How to Make a KIM Chart

KIM CHART

Key Word 

Information 

Memory Cue 

What can it help you do?

✓ Improve reading comprehension

✓ Keep track of new terms

- 1 To make a KIM Chart, take a sheet of paper and draw three columns.
- 2 At the top of the first column write "Key Word."
- 3 At the top of the second column write "Information." Beneath that write "Definition of the Word" in parentheses.
- 4 At the top of the third column write "Memory Cue." Beneath that write "sentence or picture" in parentheses.
- 5 Draw lines from left to right to indicate rows.
- 6 Fill in the columns with any new words you encounter, along with their definitions and a memory cue, or sentence, to help you remember them.

2 Key Word	3 Information (Definition of the word)	4 Memory Cue (Sentence or picture)
6 prevaricate	to speak or act in an evasive way	The diplomat was a master of prevarication; he never said what he meant, and he hardly meant what he said.
disposition	your usual mood	His depression was beginning to weigh on his previously upbeat disposition.
ascertain	learn or discover with confidence	The investigators could not ascertain the motives of the crime.
decree	a legally binding command or decision	The judge approved our proposed decree of custody.

Key Word	Information (Definition of the word)	Memory Cue (Sentence or picture)
accord	concurrence of opinion	The paper contract was in accordance with their verbal agreement.
commission	a special group delegated to consider some matter	The developers are now seeking final approval from the landmark commission.
constitute	to compose or represent	Oil and natural gas constituted almost 50 percent of Russian government revenue last year.
keen	demonstrating ability to recognize or draw fine distinctions	Not one of his movements escaped her keen observation; she drank in every shiver.
manifest	reveal its presence or make an appearance	Fall is beginning to manifest her craving for Pumpkin Spice lattes.
contempt	lack of respect accompanied by a feeling of intense dislike	His contempt for slow drivers was starting to affect his health.
attribute	a quality belonging to or characteristic of an entity	The attributes of online dating prospects usually include age, height, job, and education.