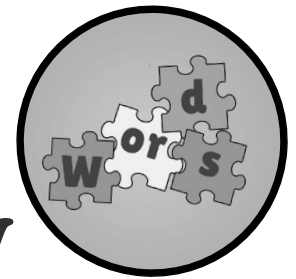


Specialized Terminology



Specialized Terminology:
unique words used by a specific subject or discipline

Every subject and discipline has its own unique vocabulary or set of words for talking about its topics. **Specialized terminology** is useful because it provides an effective way to communicate information within a particular field of study.

It's Always a Good Idea to Look Up Specialized Terminology:

- in the body of the text
- in the glossary of key terms
- in a dictionary

Terminology Chart	
New Terminology	Start with a section for new terminology. List the terms and their definitions.
Prefixes, Roots, & Suffixes	Then, list the word parts commonly found in the new terminology, along with their meanings, and an example for each, to help you to identify patterns.
Acronyms	Finally, create a section for frequently used acronyms. An acronym is an abbreviation formed from the initial letters of other words.

Terminology Chart		
New Terminology		
Executive Branch	The branch of government charged with the execution and enforcement of laws and policies and the administration of public affairs	
Legislative Branch	The branch of government having the power to make laws	
Judicial Branch	The branch of government charged with the interpretation of laws and the administration of justice	
Prefixes, Roots, & Suffixes		
Prefix	Meaning	Example
bi-	two	bicameral
con-	with, jointly	consensus
Root	Meaning	Example
jud	law	judgement
poli	city	police
Suffix	Meaning	Example
-cracy	rule	democracy
-ial	relating to	judicial
Acronyms		
FDA	Food and Drug Administration	
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency	
DOD	Department of Defense	

It's also a good idea to keep track of all the specialized terminology for a specific course, subject, or discipline by creating a **Terminology Chart**.