WordGen WEEKLY

Grades 6-8
72 week-long units on high-interest topics
Developed by teams of researchers and practitioners
Tested in a broad range of classrooms
Promotes academic vocabulary and deep text comprehension skills when systematically implemented
Boosts the quality of classroom discussion

Read. Discuss. Debate. Write.

**Interdisciplinary Program to Support Academic Literacy and Practices**

WordGen Weekly (the “original” Word Generation program) is a supplementary curricular resource that offers a series of discussable dilemmas designed to promote academic language and other academic practices prioritized in the 21st century learning standards. The program is unique in its cross-disciplinary design, giving teachers of ELA, science, social studies, and math the chance to collaborate on the shared goal of helping students use academic language to articulate their thinking. Each series (or individual units) can be used school-wide in grades 6-8.

**FEATURES:**
- Three “series” (years) of materials, with 24 one-week units per series
- Series/units can be used in any order
- Units focus on a social or civic dilemma
- Five connected 15–20 minute activities for ELA, math, science, and social studies
- Five academic “focus words” emphasized per week

**SAMPLE TOPICS:**
- Does rap music have a negative impact on youth?
- Is the death penalty justified?
- Who is responsible for childhood obesity?
- Should school be a place for debate?
- When is it okay to lie?

**ALL MATERIALS AND TEACHER SUPPORTS FREELY AVAILABLE!**

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