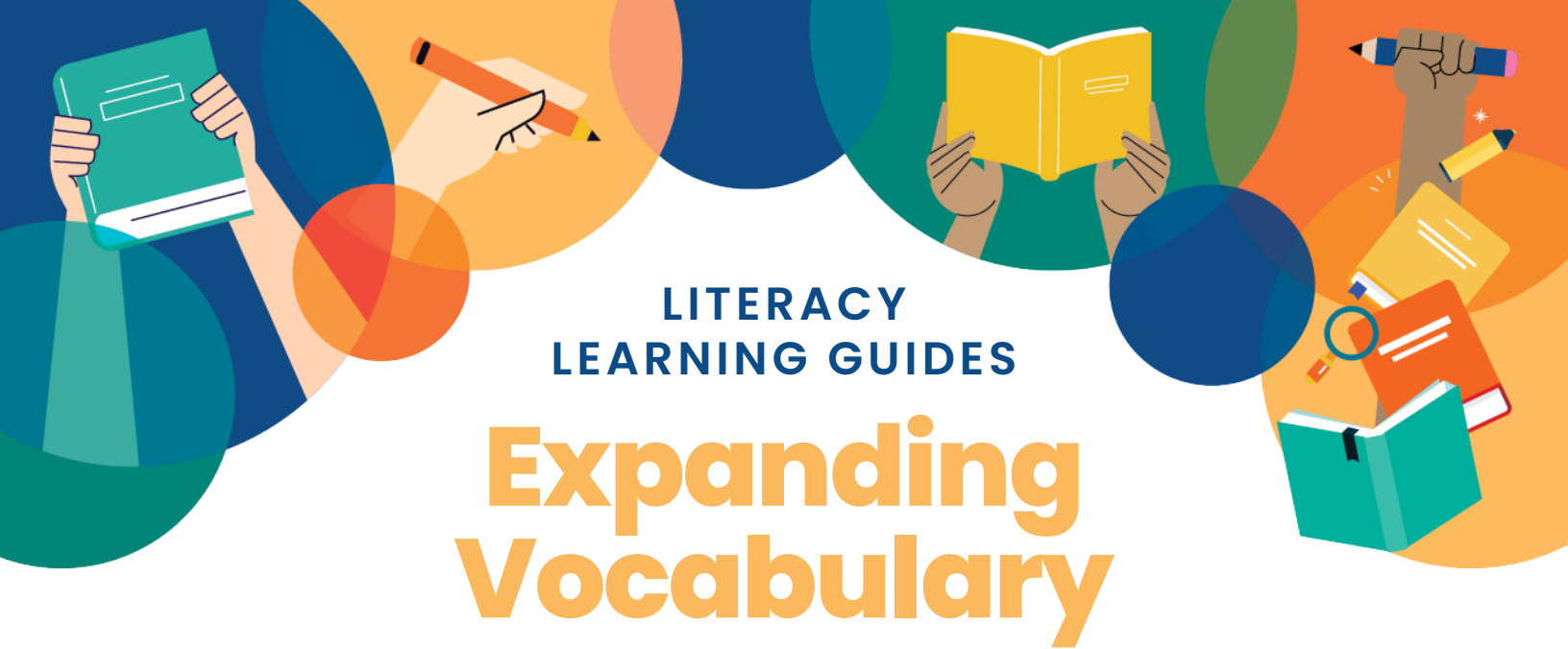




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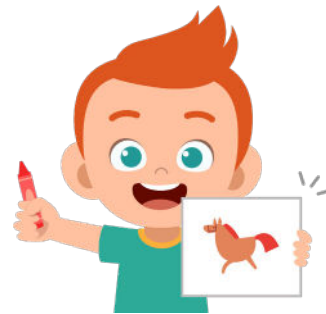
# Expanding Vocabulary

## Play games & activities

### CUBING:

Make a list of 3-5 words. Take turns rolling a game die. Whatever number you roll, that's what you have to "do" to the selected word.

- 6 — Describe it/Explain it.
- 5 — Use it in a sentence.
- 4 — Draw it/Act it out.
- 3 — Identify synonym(s).
- 2 — Give example(s).
- 1 — Spell it/Sound it out.



### OTHER GAMES THAT FOCUS ON WORD MEANINGS:

Taboo | Heads up  
Charades | Pictionary

**BIO POEMS:** Some words are "big idea" words, also known as concept words. Thinking about these words concretely helps establish a deeper understanding. A *Bio Poem* is a line-specific list of information about a single idea. There is no right answer. The only rule is that you can't repeat any words within the poem.



*The word is...*

*Looks like...*

*Related to...*

*Lover of...*

*Which feels...*

*Which needs...*

*Which fears...*

*Which causes...*

*Lives/Resident of...*

TEAMWORK

a huddle of people smiling  
sports, school projects, life  
positive attitudes  
powerful, strong  
people to share it with  
mean and selfish people  
more ideas, more success  
your team

Try practicing with  
some of these words:

- Respect
- Chores
- Family
- Friend
- Homework
- Love