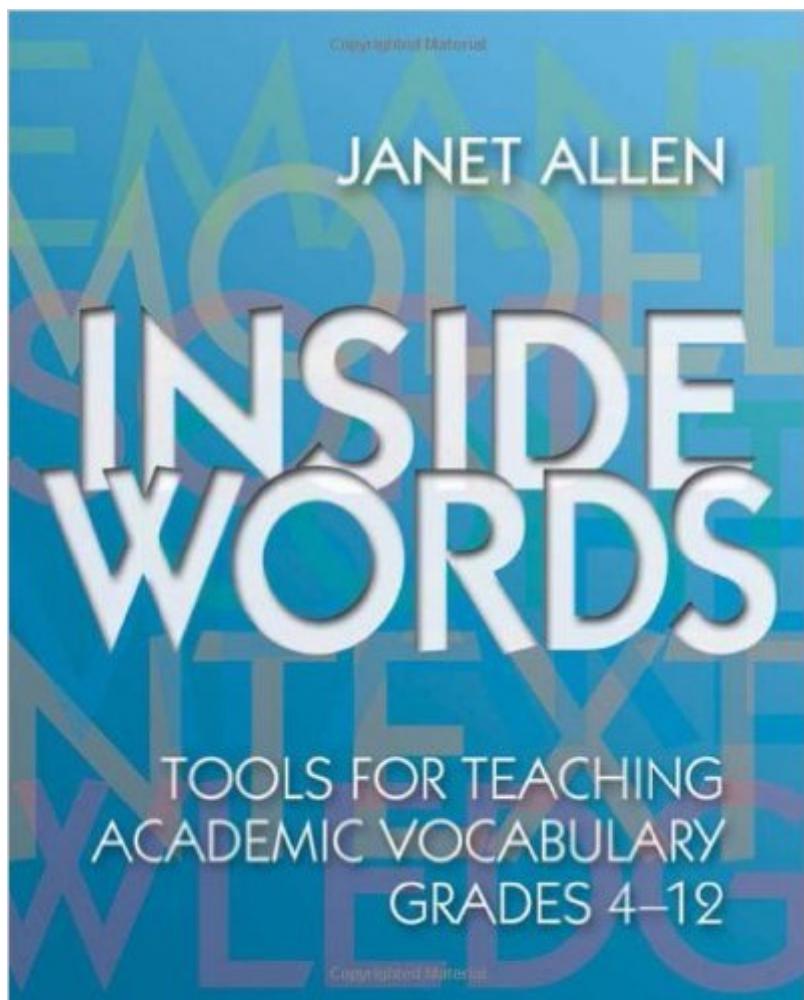


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# Inside Words: Tools For Teaching Academic Vocabulary, Grades 4-12



## **Synopsis**

We've learned a lot in recent years about the important role vocabulary plays in making meaning, yet many teachers still struggle with vocabulary instruction that goes beyond weekly word lists. Effective vocabulary instruction is particularly vital in the content areas, where the specialized language used by &#93;insiders often creates a barrier to understanding for those new to the subjects. In *Inside Words*, Janet Allen merges recent research and key content-area teaching strategies to show teachers how to help students understand the academic vocabulary found in textbooks, tests, articles, and other informational texts. Each instructional tool is listed alphabetically along with its purpose: building background knowledge; teaching words that are critical to comprehension; providing support during reading and writing; developing a conceptual framework; and assessing students' understanding of words and concepts. *Inside Words* builds on Janet's previous books *Words, Words, Words* and *Tools for Teaching Content Literacy*, to provide a much-needed middle and secondary school resource for teaching vocabulary, not only in the language arts, but in all of the content areas.

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Had to purchase this textbook for a masters course. It provided a lot of activities to incorporate teaching vocabulary, text comprehension, etc. Definitely usable. I don't think I'll be keeping this text however, because I'm a choral music director. That does not mean I can't use the lessons and concepts in the book. I just think someone in a core classroom may find it more useful.

I wanted to give this 4.5 stars because I really, really like it and recommend it, but there is one thing I would like more of. I attended one of Janet Allen's workshops and she is a wonderful educator and facilitator. I thought I had all her books until I enrolled in an online course for vocabulary instruction and this was the required text. I love everything about this book. The exercises are timely and fun; the examples are relevant and cross-curricular. I especially like the accompanying CD with the graphic organizers in English \*and\* Spanish. The only thing the book lacks--the one thing I would like more of--are student samples. I would like to see the organizers in use by students.

This is a nice book with excellent examples. I won't say it is the best book I have ever used for reading instruction but good none the less. The purchase was flawless. I received the book in a timely manner in the condition described.

If you are an aspiring or current teacher, you should have this book in your personal library. Full of potential tools that can help your students understand and better engage.

It was a required textbook for a master of education, reading endorsement. It served its purpose to inform, like most textbooks.

Very good collections of graphic organizers and good discussions on how to use them. I use this with my students every day.

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