



VERBAL REASONING

How can we improve Verbal Reasoning skills?

- Developing vocabulary is an important requirement for 11+ success.
- Words should be put into context for students to help bring the words to life.
- Often hearing harder more complex words regularly will ensure they are retained.
- Playing vocabulary games at home can make the learning of words more enjoyable. Use Word Wheels and discovering words within words e.g. comfortable
- Bananagrams and Scrabble can be great fun and will hopefully enthuse vocabulary.
- Recording words in your 'word and meaning book' can keep a record of unfamiliar more challenging words.
- Use exciting websites will help vary the word building process. www.freerice.com
- Reading appropriate books will develop a child's vocabulary. Important the books are not too easy!
- It is crucial students build their knowledge of both synonyms and antonyms. A synonyms and antonyms dictionary can be a great way to look up and read a whole list of words.
- Apps can be a great way to enthuse vocabulary. Lucky Gecko produce apps for synonyms, antonyms, missing letters and odd one out.
- Spelling can be improved by using word lists provided by Teachitright and looking at commonly misspelt words.

