

Word Box

Good for getting students to vary their vocabulary and use subject specific phrases.

How it works

Before students begin a piece of writing ask them all to write down a word or a phrase that is used far too often. Students then place their 'boring' word in a jar. Once they have all been collected ask tables to pick four words from the box. The challenge is that they are not allowed to use these words in their writing. Extend the activity by getting students to think of alternative words to use.