

Tips for Starting a Vocabulary Notebook

1. Try to add 3-5 new words a day. That way you will have 90-150 new words every month.
2. Use new words from class, movies, conversation or daily reading.
3. Write the word in your notebook. (Write *n.* for “noun”...*v.* for verb...*adv.* for adverb...and *adj.* for adjective)
4. Write an easy to understand **English** definition of the word. Use your own words or use an English-to-English dictionary.
5. Write an example that will help you remember how to use the word.
6. Review all words daily.
7. Try to use new vocabulary words both in your oral communication and in your written assignments.

1) aim (n.) – goal, purpose

Example: The aim of this class is to encourage students to read more.

2) encourage (v.) – To tell somebody that they can do it. To tell somebody they can be successful. To try to motivate another person.

Example: The teacher encouraged the students to read more. My brother encouraged me to try to play the guitar.