

Career and Transition Activity:

My Personal Dictionary

When you read and come across a word that is unfamiliar to you, write down the unknown word in your Personal Dictionary. The template on the next page may be used to organize your work.

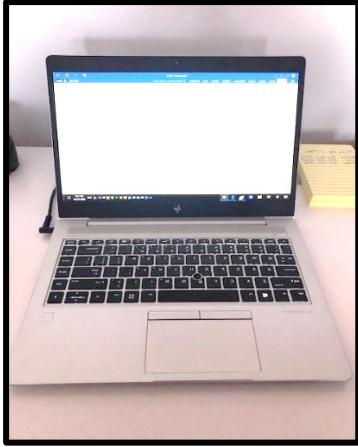
Then:

- ✓ Use a dictionary to find the technical definition.
- ✓ Draw a picture or find a picture that represents that word.
- ✓ Make a personal connection with the word.

If you are unable to locate the word within a dictionary, work with a reading partner and/or a family member to gain better understanding of the word.

<p>Academic Term (School word)</p>	<p>Personal Illustration (Draw or find a picture)</p>
<p>Technical Definition (What does it mean?)</p>	<p>Personal Connection (Your word)</p>

Here is an example:

<p style="text-align: center;">Academic Term (School word)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Proficiency</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Personal Illustration (Draw or find a picture)</p> 
<p style="text-align: center;">Technical Definition (What does it mean?)</p> <p>Definition of <i>proficiency</i> 1: advancement in knowledge or skill : PROGRESS 2: the quality or state of being <u>proficient</u></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Personal Connection (Your word)</p> <p>Learning</p> <p>“I am learning how to be a faster typer.”</p>