Selecting Academic Vocabulary

	Does the word significantly impact the meaning of the text?
	Does the word illustrate nuance in an author's choice of words (ie. admitted vs. confessed)?
	Will the word help students express their understanding of the ideas and concepts they are learning from the text?
	Is the word likely to appear often in other texts?
	Does the word belong to a semantic word family (ie. base, basic, basically)?
	Does it connect to other words or ideas that students have been learning (in previous lessons, in other subjects)?
	Will the word be useful to students in their own writing?
	Are there multiple meanings based on context?