

Academic Word List 2

These words are the academic words needed for a student to understand the ELA standards covered in Chapters 4, 5, and 6 of the Holt Literature & Language Arts textbook for eighth grade. Checkmarks indicate which chapters use each word on the list; a small, black bullet indicates a word from Academic Word List 1.

Word	Chap 4	Chap 5	Chap 6
ability	✓■		
accurate			✓
analysis	✓■	✓■	✓■
analyze	✓■	✓■	
appropriate	✓■		
articulate			✓
capture			✓
characteristic			✓
characterization	✓■		
compare	✓■		✓■
comprehension			✓■
contemporary	✓		
context	✓■		
contrast	✓■		
convey			✓
critical			✓
define		✓	
determine			✓■
development	✓■	✓■	
devices		✓	
element		✓■	
figurative		✓■	
fluency	✓■	✓■	
focus			✓■
identify	✓■	✓■	
infer		✓■	

Word	Chap 4	Chap 5	Chap 6
informational			✓■
interpret		✓	
literal		✓■	
literary	✓■	✓■	✓■
original			✓
purpose			✓
recurring	✓		
relationship			✓
response	✓■	✓■	✓■
significant		✓	
summary			✓
systematic	✓■	✓■	
text			✓■
theme	✓		
traditional	✓		
underlying			✓
verify	✓■		