

# VOCABULARY LIST:

## GRADES 6-12

### Dear Teacher,

The vocabulary list on the following pages is drawn from the “E-Cigarettes: A Dangerous Trend” student article and the “Who Is Vaping?” activity sheet.

It can be previewed with students prior to reading or reinforced with students afterward. Encourage students to incorporate these words into their discussions and writings.

The list integrates vocabulary words that would be used across several content areas, such as *reasoning*, *regulation*, and *theory*, as well as domain-specific words, such as *addictive*, *nicotine*, and *vapor*.

#### Some suggestions for students to help their understanding include:

- organizing concept maps that include word parts, synonyms, antonyms, and examples
- composing memory aids that explain the words or use them in a meaningful context
- employing the words to create newspaper articles, stories, or poems

Sources: Unless otherwise noted, definitions below are sourced or adapted from:

*Merriam-Webster Collegiate Dictionary*  
*Scholastic Children's Dictionary*

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## E-Cigarettes: A Dangerous Trend

The growing popularity of vaping devices is putting teens' health at risk.

**Vapor vs. Smoke**

Even though e-cigarettes don't contain tobacco, they are still addictive. The nicotine in e-cigarettes is just as addictive as the nicotine in tobacco. In fact, some e-cigarettes contain higher levels of nicotine than traditional cigarettes. This means that e-cigarettes can be just as addictive as traditional cigarettes.

**Almost all e-cigarettes contain nicotine, the same highly addictive chemical found in tobacco cigarettes.**

**What Are E-Cigarettes?**

E-cigarettes are a type of electronic cigarette that uses a battery to heat a liquid and create a vapor. The liquid is usually a mixture of nicotine, propylene glycol, and vegetable glycerin. Some e-cigarettes also contain flavorings.

**They're Just as Addictive**

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**What's Next?**

As e-cigarettes continue to grow in popularity, it's important to stay informed about the latest trends and regulations. The FDA has issued several warnings about e-cigarettes, and it's likely that more regulations will be implemented in the future.

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For additional information, visit [scholastic.com/headsup](http://scholastic.com/headsup) or call 1-800-424-6463.

### Supplement for: “E-Cigarettes: A Dangerous Trend”

- Student Article: [scholastic.com/headsup/ecigarettes](http://scholastic.com/headsup/ecigarettes)
- Teacher’s Guide (includes activity sheet): [scholastic.com/headsup/teachers/ecigarettes](http://scholastic.com/headsup/teachers/ecigarettes)

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**addiction** (*noun*): a brain disorder or illness associated with compulsive (uncontrollable) behavior, such as drug use, despite negative consequences

**addictive** (*adjective*): something, such as a drug, that causes changes to the brain, resulting in compulsive (uncontrollable) behavior despite negative consequences

**associated** (*adjective*): related, connected, or joined together

**benefit** (*noun*): something that gives you an advantage or helps you

**cadmium** (*noun*): a toxic metal often used in batteries

**cancer** (*noun*): a disease in which abnormal cells grow out of control and invade normal tissue in the body

**cartridge** (*noun*): a container, usually changeable, for holding substances (such as liquids) that are otherwise difficult or awkward to handle

**chemical** (*noun*): a substance that is made by a chemical process or used for producing a chemical effect

**compound** (*noun*): a substance made of two or more elements

**conclusive** (*adjective*): proving something, or putting an end to a debate or question

**data** (*noun*): factual information used as a basis for making conclusions

**determine** (*verb*): to find out through investigation or reasoning

**device** (*noun*): something made for a specific purpose or to have a specific function

**electronic cigarette (e-cigarette)** (*noun*): a device, often shaped like a cigarette, that uses a battery to heat up a liquid that usually contains nicotine, so that it can be inhaled

**evidence** (*noun*): something that gives proof or a reason to believe something

**exist** (*verb*): to be real or alive

**frequently** (*adverb*): happening often or at short intervals

**harsh** (*adjective*): causing a painful or unpleasant reaction

**hazardous** (*adjective*): dangerous

**inhale** (*verb*): to breathe in

**market** (*verb*): to promote or sell a product

**nicotine** (*noun*): the chemical found in tobacco that is addictive

**operate** (*verb*): to cause to function

**perceive** (*verb*): to consider something as being a certain way

**percentage** (*noun*): a part of a whole based on a total of one hundred parts

**pod** (*noun*): an easily replaceable cartridge in a vape pen

**population** (*noun*): a group of people who have a quality in common

**prevention** (*noun*): the act of keeping something from happening or existing

**promote** (*verb*): to encourage people to purchase or accept something

**provide** (*verb*): to supply or make available

**reasoning** (*noun*): the process of making conclusions based on facts or reason

**recommend** (*verb*): to suggest something as being good or worthy

**reduce** (*verb*): to make smaller in size, amount, or number

**regulation** (*noun*): an official rule that deals with details and procedures, such as those that make sure something is safe

**release** (*verb*): to set something or someone free

**replaceable** (*adjective*): able to be removed and have something new put in its place

**report** (*verb*): to present a statement or an account of something

**responsible** (*adjective*): being the cause or explanation for something

**retailer** (*noun*): a person or business that sells goods

**reveal** (*verb*): to make known

**risk** (*noun*): the possibility of loss or injury; danger

**substance** (*noun*): a material with a specific chemical makeup

**theory** (*noun*): an explanation of something based on reasonable and scientifically acceptable ideas

**tobacco** (*noun*): a plant with sticky leaves that are chewed or smoked

**toxic** (*adjective*): containing poisonous material that can cause harm or death

**trend** (*noun*): the current style or preference

**troubling** (*adjective*): causing feelings of worry

**vape** (*verb*): to inhale and exhale vapor from an electronic cigarette or vape pen

**vape pen** (*noun*): a device that uses a battery to heat up a liquid that usually contains nicotine, so that it can be inhaled

**vapor** (*noun*): a gas formed from something that is usually in a liquid or solid state

**vulnerable** (*adjective*): able to be hurt or damaged