

Word Loop

User's Guide

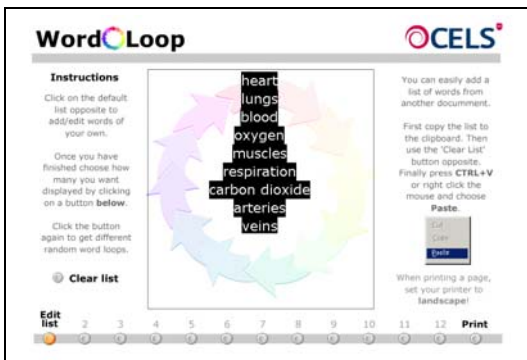
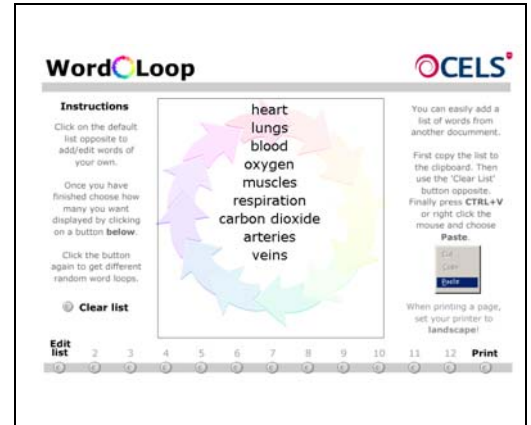
This online resource has been designed to help create quick and easy Plenary and Starter sessions. By using this resource, the class can be given keywords in a random order (a word loop) which they use to form sentences to summarise their knowledge.

Pupils could be asked to make one or more sentences that connect the words in the order given. They could start anywhere in the loop (your choice) but must make a complete loop by the end of their sentence(s).

Alternatively, the whole class could be involved by starting with one table being asked to link the first and second words. The next table has to connect 2nd and 3rd words and so on around the classroom.

You will need a Flash-enabled Web browser (at least version 7 of Macromedia's Shockwave Flash) to be able to use this resource.

All you will then need is a list of keywords for your lesson or topic. These can be typed directly into the program or can be copied and paste from another document such as Word, a webpage or a textfile. To keep keywords like *Carbon Dioxide* together type these on the same line.



Click on the **Edit List** button (bottom left) and this will highlight the word list. Click or move the cursor to the bottom of the list and you can add more words.

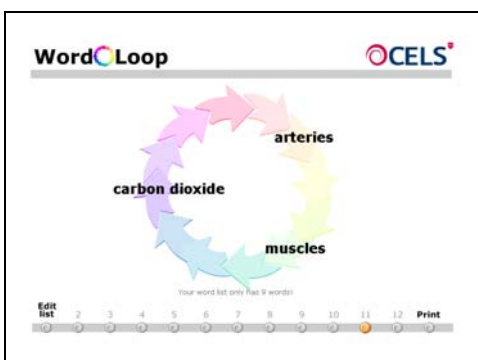
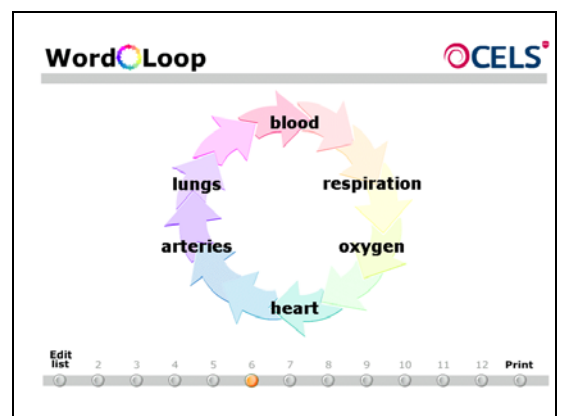
You can quickly remove the list with **Clear List**.

You cannot save the list – this would involve using internet cookies and not all schools allow this function.

Once a list of keywords has been added, random word loops can be quickly created by pressing on one of the **numbered** buttons at the bottom of the screen.

These buttons will generate loops of words (between 2 and 12 words) from the list typed in. If you ask for a loop with more words than you have typed in, the program will politely suggest that this is not possible!

Click on an appropriate button to generate a new loop.



On the right hand side of the button bar is a **Print** option. This will allow you to print off an A4 sized copy of the loop (useful if you set pupils a homework of write some sentences for a given loop).

When the Print window (dialogue box) opens change the Orientation settings or Preferences to **Landscape** before sending the document to the printer.