

Choosing vocabulary words for instruction

- Juan avoided playing the ukulele.
- Which word would you choose to pre-teach?

Did you select the correct word?

- Juan **avoided** playing the ukulele.

Explanation

- You should select the word **avoid** for instruction. Avoid is a tier two level word. Students are likely to see this word again.
- The word ukulele is rarely seen in print, used in stories or conversations and is therefore a tier three level word.

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- Few people travel to the frigid tundra region.
- Which word would you choose to pre-teach?

Did you select the correct word?

- Few people travel to the **frigid** tundra region.

Explanation

- You should select the word **frigid** for instruction. Frigid is a tier two level word. Students are likely to see this word again.
- The word tundra is rarely seen in common print beyond content area texts and is a tier three level word.