

Appendix H6

Keeping an Interesting Words Journal

- 1. If your child is interested in new vocabulary, keep a notebook with the new words he/she is learning.
- 2. Write the new word at the top of a page or half page.
- 3. Ask your child to draw a picture illustrating what the word means. Or, if your child prefers, ask him or her to use the word in a sentence to write down or for you to write down.
- 4. This notebook of interesting vocabulary words can be a new "book" that your child can read or reference.
- 5. You can also add new unique words that you notice have become part of your child's regular spoken vocabulary.
- 6. Take turns using an interesting word from the journal in your own sentence. You may want to model a sentence first and then see if your child can also use the word in a new sentence independently.