

Jargon Decoder Answer Key

Sample Simplified Translations

1. Plants use sunlight to make food and store energy.
2. The liquid boiled and turned into gas.
3. The computer program helps find information faster.
4. Engineers shape cars and planes to move through air more easily.
5. The person's heart and blood system got better after treatment.
6. Prices went up because people wanted more things than were available.
7. Storms happen when warm and cold air meet.
8. The new software fixed problems that made it easy for hackers to break in.

Teacher's Guide

- **Skill Focus:** Students practice **decoding domain-specific vocabulary** by translating **technical jargon** into **everyday speech**, improving comprehension and academic flexibility.
- **Differentiation Tips:**
 - For younger or struggling readers, review key domain words first (e.g., "photosynthesis," "aerodynamics") and provide visuals or definitions.
 - For advanced students, challenge them to create two versions of each sentence—one for a younger child and one for a professional audience.
- **Engagement Idea:** Use real-world examples from news articles or textbooks to practice identifying and simplifying jargon.
- **Extension Activities:**
 - Ask students to write a short paragraph filled with field-specific jargon (e.g., from gaming, sports, or science) and then trade with a partner to decode.
 - Encourage cross-curricular collaboration—science or computer teachers can supply jargon sentences from their subjects for class translation.