

Task for *Evil Genius*

Word building with technical language

Authors cleverly use language to make a world seem realistic even when we know that what they are suggesting is impossible in reality. For instance, we know it's impossible to use the water in a toilet bowl as a means of transmitting images but Catherine Jinks' use of ICT metalanguage such as 'DNA wired transmitter' makes that leap of imagination easy for us.

1. Complete the definitions of the various language used in the following chart.
2. Identify three other examples of technical language in the novel, find the definition of each word and use them correctly in a sentence.

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