Brain Teaser (Vocabulary Review)

Grade Level	8th grade
Subject	English Language Arts, technology
Curriculum Objective	**L.A. 6.01** The learner will apply conventions of grammar and language usage. **Technology 1.15** Demonstrate knowledge of multimedia tools/concepts used by media (e.g. games) to entertain, sell and influence ideas and opinions.
Guiding Question	What do the words in the new vocabulary lesson mean?
Lesson Summary	Students will be able to create their own crossword puzzle on the computer. Students will gain a better understanding of their vocabulary words as they use them in their puzzles.
Activating Strategy	1. Review strategies for doing a crossword puzzle. 2. Go over and explain meaning of new vocabulary words. 3. Demonstrate new website using a few words from their list and have class suggest clues for the puzzle. Print puzzle and show students final product. 4. Use smartboard to call up website.
Cognitive Strategy	1. Run through program explaining what to click on. 2. Go to www.armoredpenguin.com 3. Click on crossword puzzle 4. Fill in : crossword puzzle title and author's name 5. Skip down to first word and clue box 6. Begin filling in vocabulary words and definitions
Summarizing Strategy	When students are able to successfully complete a fellow classmates puzzle without looking up any words, the teacher will know they have mastered the vocabulary terms.
Evaluation	-Students will know how to create a crossword puzzle using technology. -Upon completion of the puzzles, students will be able to switch puzzles with a classmate and complete them.
Resources	**-**Vocabulary words/terms -website: www.armoredpenguin.com -paper -printer -pencils