Participatory Action Research: A Visual Vocabulary List

This list has words, definitions, and pictures. Words are defined in plain language. Pictures help explain ideas. You can use these definitions and pictures in your work. You must give us credit. See page 11.

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Accessibility	
How easy it is for a person to learn, use, or do something. They might need tools and supports.	

Action	
When the work on a project creates change. It is meaningful to others.	

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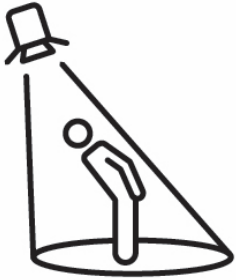| Boundaries	
Differences in how you act with people based on how you know them.	

Brainstorming When people share ideas about how to solve a problem.	

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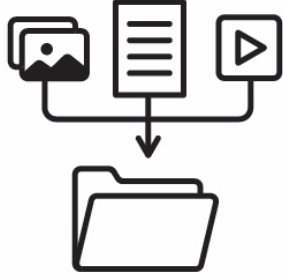| **Confidentiality** When something is private between two people or groups. You may not share it with others.	
Collaboration Working together on a goal or task. Each person adds something to the team.	
Communication Talking and listening to each other. We may do this in different ways.	

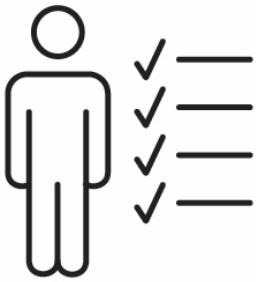|	
Compensation What you get paid for the work you do. This can be money, gift cards, or something else.	
Contract An agreement people sign when they work on a project. It tells what each will do and what the work pays.	
Credit Naming the people who helped create a product. Everyone is praised for their work.	

D

Data Analysis Looking at the information you get in a project. Figuring out what it means.	

Data Collection Gathering facts for your project. They can include words and numbers.	

E

Eligibility Having the needed qualities to do a job. This can include skills and experience.	
Employee A person who stays at a company for a long time. They have more responsibility. They get more support.	
Ethics Rules your group agrees to follow to keep everyone safe and well.	

Evaluation Reviewing how well work was done.	

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Findings What you learn from doing a project.	

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Impact How the work you did changed things for others in small and big ways.	

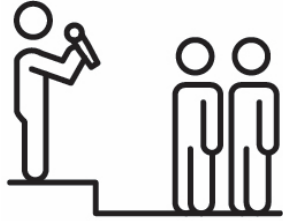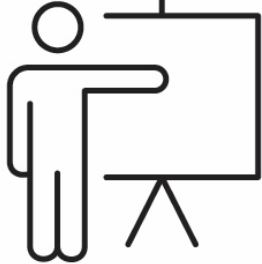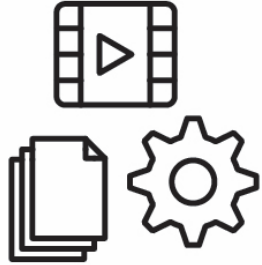|	
Inclusion Having different people work on a project. You treat them as equals. You value their skills and experience.	
Informed Consent Understanding what you are asked to do. Then agreeing to do it.	
Interview Asking how people think or feel about something.	

O

Outcomes Things that happened because of the work you did.	

Outreach Sharing your work with others. Telling how it will affect them.	

P

Participatory When people work together on a project. They are from different backgrounds. Each person is valued.	
Presentation How you share your work and its impact. You might speak, write, or demonstrate it.	
Products The things you create as you do a project. This can include reports, tools, and more.	

Public Benefits Support you get to meet your needs, like food and housing. This help often comes from the government	

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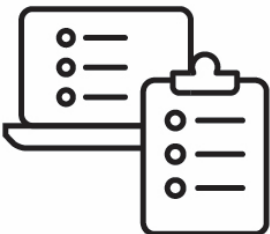|	
Recruitment Asking people to join your project. You try to find the right people for the job.	
Reflection Looking back at the work you did.	
Representation Showing many different kinds of people. Being seen and heard in all parts of life.	

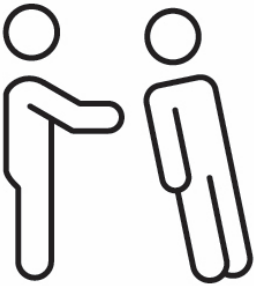|	
Research Learning new things about a subject. You can learn in many ways like reading, drawing, or talking to others.	
Responsibility What you are expected to do in your work. This could include tasks and behaviors.	

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Study Problems Issues that need to be solved by doing a project.	
Study Design The plan for how you will complete your project.	

Study Questions What you want to find out by doing a project.	
Survey A set of questions you ask to learn more about something.	

T

Trust Belief that a person will not cause you harm.	

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