

ABCYa Word Cloud Directions

1. Type or copy and paste text into the text box. If there are any phrases you want to keep together you can put a ~ between the words, but no spaces.

The screenshot shows the ABCYa Word Clouds interface. At the top left is the logo "ABC Ya! WORD CLOUDS". Below it is a text box with the following text: "ABCYa! Word Clouds are graphical representations of words. A Word Cloud can represent any main idea or topic based on the words used. ABCYa! Word Clouds are fun and exciting because they allow for creativity and imagination beyond lists or graphic organizers. Simply enter the words you want to use in the box below and press the arrow button! Imagine the possibilities!". To the right of this text box is a box titled "Features recommended by teachers and parents:" with three numbered points: "1. Right-click to delete a word in the cloud", "2. Many common words omitted from cloud", and "3. To keep 2 words together in the cloud type ~ between words". Below the text box is a large white text input area with the prompt "Type or paste text" and a small arrow icon. A callout box with an arrow points to this input area, containing the text "Type or copy and paste text here". At the bottom right of the input area is a circular arrow button. A callout box with an arrow points to this button, containing the text "Press this arrow button to see the cloud".

2. When you see your cloud, you have options to change the look of your cloud. Click on randomize to change all aspects of the cloud (font, color and layout). Click font, color or layout to select the change yourself.



3. Once you have the word cloud the way you want it, you can save it to your computer or a flash drive before you upload it into a document, webpage, wiki or print it.

