



Resolving Usage Issues

Today's Standard

11-12.L.1b - Resolve issues of complex or contested usage, consulting references (e.g., Merriam-Webster's Dictionary of English Usage, Garner's Modern American Usage) as needed.

Cues	Notes
What is contested usage?	Contested usage refers to language rules that are debated or not universally agreed upon.
Why consult multiple references?	Consulting multiple references provides a well-rounded understanding and reduces bias.
Examples of language references	Examples include Merriam-Webster's Dictionary of English Usage and Garner's Modern American Usage.
Common misconceptions	Misconception: There's always one correct usage. Reality: Language is fluid and context-dependent.

Summary

Understanding and resolving contested usage issues by consulting multiple references is crucial for accurate and effective language use.