



Understanding Complex Vocabulary

Today's Standard

11-12.L.4 - Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 11-12 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

Cues	Notes
What are context clues?	Context clues are hints within the surrounding text that help you determine the meaning of an unfamiliar word.
How do you determine the meaning of a word with multiple meanings?	To determine the meaning of a word with multiple meanings, consider the context and multiple dictionary definitions.
What are word roots and affixes?	Word roots and affixes are the basic parts of words that carry meaning and can help you infer the meanings of unfamiliar words.
Why is understanding vocabulary important?	Understanding vocabulary is crucial for reading comprehension and effective communication.

Summary

Understanding complex vocabulary involves using context clues, analyzing word roots and affixes, and considering multiple dictionary definitions to determine the most appropriate meaning.