



Context Clues for Word Meaning

Today's Standard

11-12.L.4a - Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence, paragraph, or text; a word's position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

Cues	Notes
Context clues	Context clues help determine the meaning of unfamiliar words.
Types of context clues	Types include synonyms, antonyms, explanations, and examples.
Importance of context clues	Using context clues enhances reading comprehension and vocabulary.
Common misconceptions	Misconceptions: clues are only nearby, clues give direct definitions.

Summary

Context clues are essential for understanding unfamiliar words. They come in various forms and are crucial for improving reading comprehension and vocabulary. Common misconceptions include thinking clues are only nearby or always give direct definitions.