



## Using reference materials for word understanding

### Today's Standard

11-12.L.4c - Consult general and specialized reference materials (e.g., dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation of a word or determine or clarify its precise meaning, its part of speech, its etymology, or its standard usage.

Cues	Notes
What are reference materials?	Reference materials help find word meanings, pronunciations, parts of speech, and etymology.
Why use a thesaurus?	A thesaurus provides synonyms and antonyms to enhance writing.
How to find a word's etymology?	Etymology reveals a word's history and origin, aiding in deeper understanding.
Differences between print and digital dictionaries?	Print dictionaries offer tactile learning, while digital versions provide quick access and multimedia features.

### Summary

Using various reference materials helps in understanding and using words accurately. Both print and digital formats have their unique advantages.