

Cornell Notes

Context Clues for Word Meaning

Today's Standard

2.L.4a - Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

Cues	Notes
What are context clues?	Context clues are hints found within a sentence or paragraph that help decipher the meaning of an unfamiliar word.
How can context clues help understand a word?	They provide information that can make the meaning of a word clearer.
What are some types of context clues?	Types of context clues include synonyms, antonyms, explanations, and examples.
Why is it important to use context clues?	Using context clues improves reading comprehension and helps build vocabulary.
What is a common mistake when using context clues?	A common mistake is ignoring context clues and guessing the meaning based solely on the appearance of the word.

Summary

Context clues are essential for understanding unfamiliar words. They come in various forms such as synonyms, antonyms, explanations, and examples, and are crucial for improving reading comprehension and vocabulary.