



Understanding Academic Vocabulary

Today's Standard

4.RI.4 - Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words or phrases in a text relevant to a grade 4 topic or subject area.

Cues	Notes
What is academic vocabulary?	Academic vocabulary refers to words that are commonly used in academic dialogue and texts. Context clues are hints found within a sentence or paragraph that help the reader determine the meaning of an unknown word. Domain-specific words are terms that are specific to a particular field of study or area of expertise.
How do context clues help?	
What are domain-specific words?	

Summary

Understanding academic and domain-specific vocabulary is essential for comprehending grade-level texts. Using context clues can help decipher the meaning of unfamiliar words.