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## **Using Reference Materials**

## Today's Standard

5.L.4c - Consult reference materials (e.g., dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation and determine or clarify the precise meaning of key words and phrases.

| Cues                          | Notes  |
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| What are reference materials? | Reference materials help find meanings, pronunciations, and synonyms.    |
| Why use a dictionary?         | Dictionaries provide definitions, pronunciations, and usage examples.    |
| How to use a thesaurus?       | A thesaurus helps find synonyms and antonyms for words.                  |
| What is a glossary?           | Glossaries define terms specific to a subject or field.                  |
| Digital vs. print resources   | Both digital and print resources are useful; evaluate their credibility. |

## Summary

Using reference materials like dictionaries, thesauruses, and glossaries helps students understand and use new vocabulary accurately. Both print and digital resources are valuable for learning.