



Vocabulary in Informational Texts

Today's Standard

5.RI.4 - Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 5 topic or subject area.

Cues	Notes
What are context clues?	Context clues are hints found within a sentence or paragraph that help define unfamiliar words.
How can prefixes and suffixes help?	Prefixes and suffixes can provide clues to the meaning of a word by indicating its root or modifying its meaning.
What is a domain-specific word?	A domain-specific word is a term that is specific to a particular field of study or area of expertise.
Why use a dictionary?	Dictionaries provide precise definitions and additional information about words.
Examples of general academic words	General academic words are terms commonly found across various subjects and texts.

Summary

Understanding context clues, word parts, and the use of dictionaries are essential strategies for determining the meaning of unfamiliar words in informational texts. This helps in comprehending and engaging with complex texts.