



Context Clues in Sentences

Today's Standard

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

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Reading a story and figuring out the meaning of new words using the sentences around them.; Understanding instructions by using context clues.; Decoding the meaning of words in a poem by looking at the surrounding text.

Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to use the sentences around a new word to figure out what it means. This helps us understand stories and other texts better.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids think they need to understand every word by itself, but the sentences around the word can help. Also, they might only look at one sentence for clues, but it's important to read a few sentences before and after the new word.

Quiz Me

- What are context clues?
- How can you use context clues to understand a new word?
- Why are context clues important?
- What should you do if you don't understand a word?
- Can context clues come from more than one sentence?

Help Me

When you find a word you don't know, look at the sentences around it. They can give you hints about what the word means. For example, if you read 'The sky was very dark and cloudy. It looked like rain,' you can guess that 'cloudy' means there are lots of clouds.