

Word Meaning Strategies

Today's Standard

3.L.4 - Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Using context clues to understand new words in a story; Using a dictionary to find definitions of unknown words; Recognizing multiple meanings of words in different contexts; Using root words, prefixes, and suffixes to determine word meaning

Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to figure out what new words mean by using hints in the text and a dictionary. This helps us understand what we read better.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids think words have only one meaning, but many words can mean different things. Another mistake is using only the dictionary without looking at the text around the word.

Quiz Me

- What is a context clue?
- Can a word have more than one meaning?
- How can you find out what a new word means?
- What is a dictionary?
- What is a root word?

Help Me

When you read a story and find a word you don't know, look at the other words around it to guess what it means. You can also use a dictionary to check your guess. This helps you understand the story better.