

Understanding Multiple-Meaning Words

Today's Standard

7.L.4 - Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 7 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Using context clues in novels to understand new vocabulary; Interpreting words with multiple meanings in poetry; Deciphering technical terms in science textbooks; Understanding idiomatic expressions in conversations; Clarifying jargon in historical documents

Today I Learned

Today, we learned about understanding words that have more than one meaning. We use clues from the sentences and dictionaries to help us understand these words.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids think a word has only one meaning, but it can have many. Also, they might think words mean the same thing in different situations, but they don't.

Quiz Me

- What is a context clue?
- How can you find the meaning of a new word?
- What does it mean if a word has more than one meaning?
- Why is it important to know different meanings of a word?
- How can a dictionary help you?

Help Me

We use words every day that can mean different things. By looking at the sentences around a word, we can figure out what it means. Dictionaries also help us understand words better.