



Vocabulary Strategies

Today's Standard

9-10.L.4 - Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grades 9-10 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Using context clues in a novel to understand new vocabulary; Interpreting multiple-meaning words in a scientific article; Decoding unfamiliar words in historical documents; Applying word roots and affixes to determine meaning in technical texts

Today I Learned

Today we learned how to figure out what words mean, even if we don't know them. We can use clues around the word, parts of the word, or look it up in a dictionary.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes kids think that clues to a word's meaning are always right next to the word. But clues can be in other sentences too. Also, words can have different meanings, so it's important to think about what makes sense.

Quiz Me

- What can you use to figure out a word you don't know?
- Where can you find clues about a word's meaning?
- Can a word have more than one meaning?
- What should you do if you can't figure out a word?
- How can parts of a word help you understand it?

Help Me

To understand new words, look at the sentences around the word for clues, think about parts of the word you know, or use a dictionary. This helps you understand what you read better.