

Context clues can be **nearby words** or pictures that help determine the meaning of **words**.

Marcos had been **running hard** in soccer practice!
He was **exhausted**.

Exhausted means tired.



Non-example

Marcos was **exhausted**.

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Which words in the sentence are **context clues** that help determine **achievement means success**? Explain.

He celebrated his greatest **achievement** with all his friends.

- A** with all his friends **B** he celebrated his greatest



The **egret** has a long neck.

What **context clue** helped you determine **egret is a bird**? Explain.

- A** nearby words
B picture

In your own words, what are context clues?

- 1 Read the sentence, looking carefully at the **bolded word**.
- 2 Identify the **context clue(s)** that helps determine the meaning. (underline)
- 3 Determine the meaning of the **bolded word**. (circle)
- 4 Read aloud the meaning of the bolded word. "_____ means _____"

1 John is good at solving math problems because he is **clever**.

- A lazy B funny C smart

2 The butterfly sat on a flower. Then, it **fluttered** its wings and flew away.

- A closed B flapped C opened

3 The house is **vacant**. The people who lived there moved out of the house last month.

- A old B empty C in use



4 California is in a **drought** because there is not enough water.

- A too much rain
B too much sunshine
C not enough rain

5 The children were in a **quarrel** over a game and someone got hurt.

- A arguing
B union
C agreement



Skill Closure

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1 Pizza delivery is **convenient** because you don't have to go get the pizza yourself.

A easy

B hard

C yummy

2 The restaurant serves many **beverages**, such as water, tea and milk.

A vegetable

B drinks

C dessert

3 I was too **lethargic** to go out to play. I just wanted to take a nap.

A hungry

B excited

C tired

Concept Closure

Write a sentence for each picture. Use context clues to provide information about the word. Read the sentence.



chipmunk



cattails

Summary Closure

What did you learn today about determining the meaning of words using context clues?

Word Bank

determine
context clues
identify

Read the sentences. Underline the context clue words. Determine the meaning of the bolded word. (circle)

1 Tom has **affluent** parents. His family lives in the biggest house in town.

A rich

B happy

C poor

2 It was a **blustery** day. The leaves were blowing all over the place.

A sunny

B windy

C rainy



3 My teacher gave us a lot of work to do. We had many **assignments**.

A tasks

B flowers

C pencils

4 The food at the restaurant was **delectable**. The food tasted great.

A terrible

B cheap

C delicious

5 The child was **elated** when he received birthday presents.

A unhappy

B excited

C upset



Listening

Word Bank

wheat

ferns

daffodils

Listen to each audio text.

Identify each plant by its description. (Use Word bank)

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A _____

B _____

C _____

Recall information you heard about the plant.



Reading

Read the passage. Use context clues to determine which word belongs in the blank.
Reread the passage.

Animals eat different types of food. Deer are _____ . They eat grass, nuts, twigs, alfalfa, and corn. Hyenas are _____ . They eat lizards, birds, snakes, and insects. Squirrels are _____ . They eat nuts, seeds, insects, and young birds.-

Word Bank	
omnivores	are animals that eat plants and animals.
carnivores	are animals that eat animals only.
herbivores	are animals that eat plants only.

Read the sentences.
Determine the meaning of the bolded word. (circle)

1 The cowboy used his **lariat** to tie up his horse to a post.

A cow

B rope

C hat

2 The parking lot is so **congested**. We cannot get out!

A crowded

B empty

C hot





Writing

Write a sentence for each picture. Use context clues to provide information about the word. Read the sentences.



ukulele



iris

Read the sentences.

Determine the meaning of the bolded word. (circle)

1 The **skittish** cat ran and hid under the bed when I started the vacuum.

A lazy

B calm

C nervous

2 The lost kitten was **famished** because it had not eaten.

A hungry

B playful

C fat

3 The long hike up the mountain was extremely **grueling**. I will need to rest.

A easy

B tiring

C fast