

Educator Information and Directions

Student Objectives

1. Students will be able to define unknown words using context clues in sentences with definitions and examples.

DAY 1

- Watch the **Video Lesson** and complete your **Guided Notes**.
- Complete the **Definition and Example Context Clues: Part 1** assignment.
- Complete the **Online Practice 1 and 2**.

DAY 2

- Complete **Online Practice 3 and 4**.
- Complete **Definition and Example Context Clues: Part 2**.
- Create your own context clues with the **Context Clues Writing Activity**.
- Complete the **Online Assessment**.

Suggested Reward

Use your account to reward 100 Gold/\$coops for each worksheet completed in this packet.

Extension Activities

Keep a Vocabulary Journal:

Students can keep a vocabulary journal where they write down unfamiliar words they come across while reading, watching, or listening to media. They can then decide if the media used an example or a definition context clue and determine its meaning.

Practice With a Word Wall: Create a word wall at home where students can add words with definition or example context clues as they come across them. Afterward, they can practice the words in conversation or writing.



Complete While
Watching Video



Example



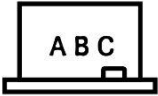
Student Practice



Write it Out!

Day 1

Guided Notes: Part 1



Guided Notes: While you are watching the video, fill in the information below for your notes.

Context clues - _____ provided in texts that help readers understand the meaning of unfamiliar words or phrases

Definition clues - provide the _____ of an unknown word in the sentence or surrounding sentences

Signals to Help Recognize Definition Context Clues:

- “that is”
- _____
- Dashes
- Parentheses

Use definition context clues to find the meaning of the word “ocarina.” Underline the signals and highlight the meaning of the word.

The ocarina – a type of vessel flute – was of particular importance in Chinese and Mesoamerican cultures.

Guided Notes: Part 2

Guided Notes: While you are watching the video, fill in the information below for your notes.



Example context clues - give the reader a list of _____ that help explain the meaning of the unknown word

Signals to Help Recognize

Example Context Clues:

- “such as”
- “_____”
- “including”

Use example context clues to find the meaning of “special effects.” Underline the signals and highlight the meaning of the word.

I decided to include special effects in my short film. For example, I used fog machines to simulate smoke and soap flakes to represent snow.

Look for signals and context clues for “homogeneous” and “metropolitan.” Underline the signals and highlight the definition or example context clue.

1. Some places are **homogenous**; that is, everyone in that area shares common traits, like language, culture, or political systems.

Choose one: EXAMPLE CONTEXT CLUE DEFINITION CONTEXT CLUE

2. For example, **metropolitan** areas, like Tokyo and New York City, are characterized by their similar urban landscapes with tall buildings and crowded streets.

Choose one: EXAMPLE CONTEXT CLUE DEFINITION CONTEXT CLUE

Definition and Example Context Clues: Part 1



Student Practice: Read each sentence below and use context clues to define the **bolded** word. Circle the signal and highlight the definition context clue or example context clue in the sentence. Afterward, write the definition of the **bolded** word on the line.

The teacher used different **instructional strategies**, such as direct instruction, cooperative learning, and project-based learning to engage their students and promote understanding.

Instructional strategies: teachers' different methods and techniques to educate students.



1. It was a **deserted** town – not a soul in sight – which was unusual for this time of day.

2. The old book, full of archaic language and outdated references, was a **taxing** read (mentally demanding and hard to understand).

3. It is **paramount**, incredibly important, that my sister gets to her softball practice on time.

4. My older brother is a **dispassionate** person. For example, he is rational in emergencies and calm during impending disasters.

5. Cassandra likes to **emulate** her sister's habits, such as wearing the same clothes as her and speaking similarly.

Day 2

Definition and Example Context Clues: Part 2

Student Practice: Read each sentence below and use context clues to define the **bolded** word. Circle the signal and highlight the definition context clue or example context clue in the sentence. Then, determine if the sentence uses an example context clue or a definition context clue. Afterward, write the definition of the **bolded** word on the line.



1. She was a **virtuoso** – an accomplished musician – and had won numerous awards for her performances.

Choose one: EXAMPLE CONTEXT CLUE DEFINITION CONTEXT CLUE

2. The new student was a **prodigy**, with skills and expertise beyond her youth, much to the delight of her music teacher.

Choose one: EXAMPLE CONTEXT CLUE DEFINITION CONTEXT CLUE

3. My sister's **expertise** is in baking cakes. For example, she uses her advanced skill to create elaborate cake decorations and her vast knowledge to design new flavors.

Choose one: EXAMPLE CONTEXT CLUE DEFINITION CONTEXT CLUE

4. The artist used different **mediums**, such as oil paint, charcoal, and clay, to create expressive and impactful art.

Choose one: EXAMPLE CONTEXT CLUE DEFINITION CONTEXT CLUE

5. The archaeologist discovered a variety of **artifacts** at the site, including pottery shards, stone tools, and bronze jewelry that were used by ancient civilizations.

Choose one: EXAMPLE CONTEXT CLUE DEFINITION CONTEXT CLUE

Context Clues Writing Activity



Write It Out: Create three sentences containing an example or a definition context clue and place a checkmark at your choice. Each sentence must use your selected context clue to define a word from the word bank below. Refer to the signal charts below to assist you.

Word Bank (choose three words)

- Ambiguous
- Conundrum
- Eclectic
- Facilitate
- Nuance
- Paradox
- Cynical
- Epiphany
- Juxtapose
- Dyspnea



EXAMPLE:

The patient was experiencing symptoms of **dyspnea** – shortness of breath – when they entered the emergency room.

Signals to Help Recognize Definition Context Clues:

- “that is”
- Commas
- Dashes
- Parentheses

Signals to Help Recognize Example Context Clues:

- “such as”
- “for example”
- “including”

Sentence #1: Choose one: EXAMPLE CONTEXT CLUE DEFINITION CONTEXT CLUE

Sentence #2: Choose one: EXAMPLE CONTEXT CLUE DEFINITION CONTEXT CLUE

Sentence #3: Choose one: EXAMPLE CONTEXT CLUE DEFINITION CONTEXT CLUE
