

CONTEXT CLUES

EXACT TEKS WORDING (FROM TEA)

“use context within and beyond a sentence to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words and multiple-meaning words”

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN TO ME?

When I meet a word I do not know, I look at the words around it.

The sentence and the sentences nearby can hold clues about what the word means.

When I find a meaning, I name the clue that helped me, so I can prove my answer.

THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

Context Clues

from “From Protest to Participation”

This week we practice context clues with words from "From Protest to Participation." We notice definitions, choose with contrast, show with examples, own with inference, and defend multiple meanings.

This deck teaches **context clues** across the five RPLD thinking levels:

NOTICE → CHOOSE → SHOW → OWN → DEFEND.



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TODAY'S THINKING JOB

NOTICE

"I can notice a definition or restatement clue."

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Notice the context clue.

Read this sentence from the passage. Find the words that tell what the bold word means.

"Sometimes answers led to **protests**, public actions taken against laws or decisions people thought were unfair."

I CAN | I can notice a definition or restatement clue that tells me what a word means.



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CHOOSE

“I can choose a word's meaning from a contrast clue.”

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Choose the meaning.

Read the sentences. What does **transform** mean? Use the contrast clue to decide.

“New inventions can **transform** daily life, not leaving things the same but changing them completely.”

A to stay the same • **B** to change completely • **C** to move slowly

I CAN | I can choose a word's meaning when a contrast clue shows the opposite.



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SHOW

"I can show how examples help me know what a word means."

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Show what the clue does.

Read both sentences. What do the examples show that **citizenship** means?

"Citizenship means belonging to a nation."

"It includes both rights and responsibilities."

I CAN | I can explain what examples show about a word's meaning.



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OWN

"I can use sentences around a word to figure out its meaning."

EXACT TEKS WORDING

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Own it. Use the sentences around the word.

What does **documents** mean? How do you know? Read both sentences.

"Officers checked each passenger's documents."

"Passports, identification papers, and travel records were all examined."

I CAN | I can use sentences beyond the word's sentence to figure out its meaning.



TODAY'S THINKING JOB

DEFEND

"I can defend the meaning of a multiple-meaning word."

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Defend the meaning.

The word **stand** has more than one meaning. Explain what stand means in each sentence and how you know.

"What should citizens do when they believe something needs to change? They take a **stand."**



I can use the sentence to prove which meaning of a multiple-meaning word fits.



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Find a context clue on your own.

Go back to the passage. Find one word you do not know. Copy the sentence, name the clue type, and write the meaning.

Go back to the reading.
Find one word you do not know.
Copy the exact sentence. Then name the clue type
and write what the word means.

I CAN | I can find a word I do not know and use a context clue to figure out its meaning.



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Answers, across the five thinking levels.

NOTICE **protest.** a public action against something unfair. The words near protest restate its meaning.

CHOOSE **B.** to change completely. The contrast clue shows transform means to change completely.

SHOW **citizenship.** the status of being a member of a country. The examples in the sentence show what citizenship means.

OWN **documents.** official papers. The sentences around the word help figure out the meaning.

DEFEND **In the first sentence, stand means to be on your feet.** In the second sentence, stand means a position or belief. The words around each sentence prove which meaning fits.

YOUR TURN **Student selects a word, copies the sentence, names the clue type, and writes the meaning.**



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READ THIS PASSAGE EXCERPT.

“Sometimes answers led to protests, public actions taken against laws or decisions people thought were unfair.”

What does the word protest mean?

- A** a public action against something unfair
- B** a celebration held in public
- C** a quiet agreement with a leader
- D** a written request for a job



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The answer is A.

a public action against something unfair **Correct.**

A The passage says Sometimes answers led to protests, public actions taken agai... so protest means a public action against something unfair.

B **a celebration held in public**

A protest speaks against something unfair. A celebration honors something positive.

C **a quiet agreement with a leader**

A protest shows disagreement, not agreement.

D **a written request for a job**

A protest is a public action against something unfair, not a job application.

