

## Context Clues (They are ~~soooooo~~ important!)

context = everything around you

What is your context right now? \_\_\_\_\_

clue = bit of information that helps you find an answer

When you returned from the bathroom, you saw that someone in the classroom had stolen your phone! What clues would you look for to find out who took your phone? \_\_\_\_\_

Watch the video!

True or False? Write "T" or "F."

You should give up if you don't understand every word someone says. \_\_\_\_\_

The words you understand are clues to what the person is saying. \_\_\_\_\_

If you understand 2 words, you can guess what someone is saying. \_\_\_\_\_

If you guess wrong, everyone will laugh at you. \_\_\_\_\_

If you guess wrong, try asking, "Can you say that with different words?" \_\_\_\_\_

To understand, always start with what you do know. \_\_\_\_\_

At the beginning of the video, Benny uses the word "incomprehensible." What is the context? He's talking about \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_. What are 2 clues to what he means? 1) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_; 2) \_\_\_\_\_. What do you think

"incomprehensible" means? \_\_\_\_\_

You are in the hall at school. A boy wearing a football shirt asks you something. All you hear is, "...you.....game tomorrow?" Use context clues to guess what he said: \_\_\_\_\_

You are in math class. The teacher gives the class a math problem to solve. After a minute, she turns to you and asks something. All you hear is, ".......answer?" Use context clues to guess what she asked: \_\_\_\_\_

Context clues help with reading, too!

Sometimes when you read, you do not know what a word means. The context of that word is the PICTURE nearest the word and the OTHER WORDS close to that word.

The crayon was magenta. What does magenta mean? \_\_\_\_\_

Sally said, "I want to use  
the magenta crayon!"



What clues did  
you use? \_\_\_\_\_

She is affable. What does  
affable mean? \_\_\_\_\_  
What clues did you use? \_\_\_\_\_

Ms. Fry is an affable  
teacher. She is always  
friendly to everyone.



What's a turaco? What?! You don't know?! Watch the video!

What's a turaco? \_\_\_\_\_ What clues helped you know? \_\_\_\_\_

How can you use context clues when you read? \_\_\_\_\_

Watch the video!

What was the word the younger brother didn't know? \_\_\_\_\_ What context clues could he have used to help him understand it? First, he knew his brother was talking about the can of soda. Next, \_\_\_\_\_  
What did the word mean? \_\_\_\_\_

Go to roomrecess.com. First, click on "Keyboard and Mouse." Next, click on "Context Clues." Then read the directions! Have fun using context clues to choose the correct words to complete the sentences!

Use context clues to find the meaning of the underlined words.

The long hike up the mountain was gueling. By the time he reached the top, Alex was panting and soaked with sweat.

Gueling means \_\_\_\_\_ Context clues: \_\_\_\_\_

It was her first time skiing. Maria was a little nervous. She went to the novice class.

Novice means \_\_\_\_\_ Context clues: \_\_\_\_\_

Lee wanted a new phone more than anything. When his best friend got one for his birthday, Lee was envious. He wished he had gotten the phone.

Envious means \_\_\_\_\_ Context clues: \_\_\_\_\_

It took a week for David and his sister to cross the country by train. He stated, "I never realized this country was so vast!"

Vast means \_\_\_\_\_ Context clues: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you think you understand how to use context clues to help you understand words? \_\_\_\_\_ Show what you know by acing this quiz: [wordwall.net](http://wordwall.net).