

Comprehension and Context

Comprehension is understanding what is seen, heard or read.

Context is the rest of the words in a sentence or the sentences before or after a word. Context can help with comprehension.

Context clues help you figure out the meaning of a word by relating it to other words in the sentence.

Directions: Use the context clues in the sentences to find the meanings of the bold words.



1. Jane was a **wizard** at games. She mastered them in no time and seldom lost.

☐ evil magician

☐ gifted person

☐ average player

2. The holiday was so special that she was sure she'd never forget it. The memory would be **imprinted** forever on her mind.

☐ found

☐ weighed

☐ fixed

3. "John will believe anything anyone tells him," his teacher said. "He's a very **impressionable** young man."

☐ easily influenced

☐ unhappy

☐ unintelligent

4. "Do you really think it's **prudent** to spend all your money on clothes?" his mother asked crossly.

☐ foolish

☐ wise

☐ funny

5. "Your plan has **merit**," Elizabeth's father said. "Let me give it some thought."

☐ value

☐ awards

☐ kindness

6. John was very **gregarious** and loved being around people.

☐ shy

☐ outgoing

☐ unfriendly