CONTEXT CLUES

Good readers use clues in the text to help them understand unknown words.

The

CONTEXT CLUES

the author includes a synonym.

girl at school is <u>timid</u>,

the only shy kid in class.

the underlined word?

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Sometimes a reader has to use what they know to infer.

She doesn't buy expensive shoes

What is the meaning of the underlined word?

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PowerPoint to Introduce the Skill

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Context Clues

clues in the text that a reader can use to determine the meaning of an unknown word

definition

synonym

antonym

2 Interactive Notebook Activities

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Context Clues

clues in the text that a reader can use to determine the meaning of an unknown word

We **frequently** get rain storms during the summer. Never leave home without an umbrella!

When working in a group, it's important to **contribute**. If you don't help, the group will get upset.

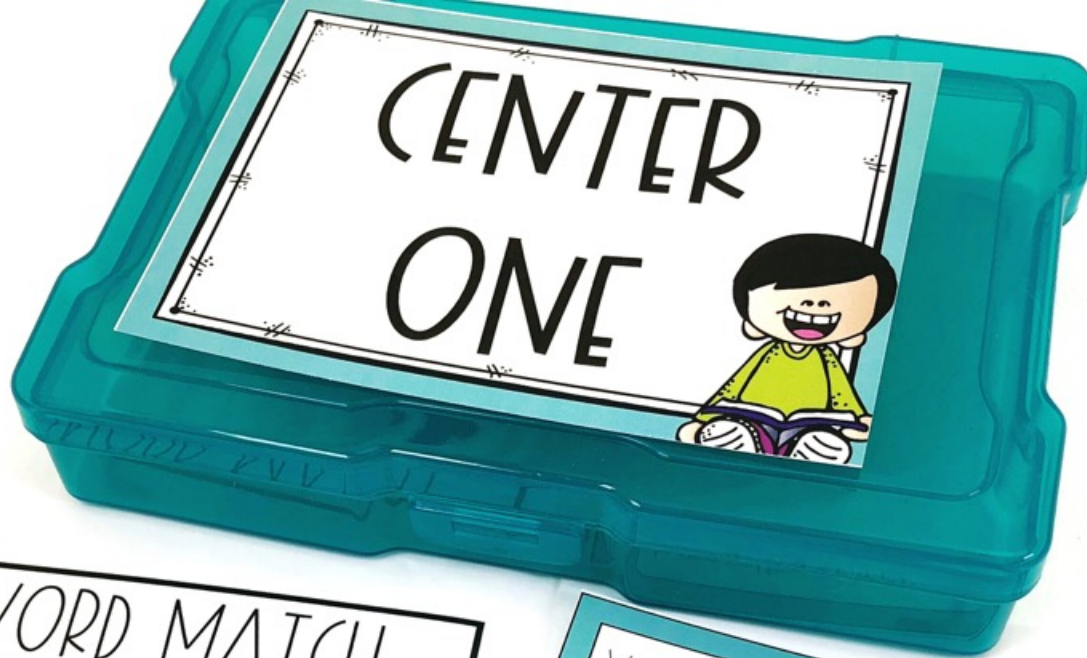I did not eat all of my vegetables, but I did eat a **portion** of them.

The curtains are **parent**. I

My teacher has a **variety** of books in her library. It's

He is so tall that he h___
goes through___

The gerpa threw a fast ba___
swung and missed. Strike!

Fiction CONTEXT CLUES

PITCHER

Fiona stayed home ___
school because ___
queasy. The on___
she ate all d___
few crack___

The res___
vacant.
have to ___
having ___
table. I ___

ANXIOUS

5 Centers with a Recording Book

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CENTER ONE

WORD MATCH

pleading:

I know this because...

excited

ANXIOUS

PLEADING

SQUIRM

anxious:

I know this be...

We are getting a puppy!

Mom is allergic to dogs and so she never wanted to adopt a puppy. However, after months of pleading, we talked Mom into letting us add a puppy to our family.

Our friend's dog, Bell, just had a litter of seven puppies. We are going to pick one to be our new puppy.

As soon as I see the puppies cuddled in a ball, I know that we are in big trouble. They are so adorable! How will we ever be able to pick just one?

brother and I start by holding each of the pupp at a time. They are all so soft and tiny! One of les, the one wearing a green collar, doesn't see e to be held. He tries to squirm out of my hands, but I him tighter so that he doesn't fall.

Next, we watch the puppies pl backyard. They look so grass! My brot and l

CENTER TWO

2 NONSENSE WORDS

1
2
3
4
5

The bases are lo____
one polp. Le____
can score!

The baseball player came up to the plate and held his **finker** ready for the pitcher to throw the ball.

1

The____ batter swung
anyway and the team got their third **nirst** and
the batter was out.

2

5

GLOVE

STRIKE

OUT

3 DEFINE THE WORD

① queasy:

②

4 SAME MEANING

My mom's favorite clothing store has an ___ sale. We shop ___

The ___

vac___

ha___

ha___

tal___

Fiona stayed home from school because she felt **queasy**. The only thing she ate all day was a few crackers.

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CENTER FOUR

4 SAME MEANINGS

	Matching Letter

WORD

She lives in Boston, so she is a big __fan__ of the Red Socks team.

I have never been on an airplane,

I only turn the __fan__ on when it is hot outside.

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5a READING RESPONSE

Book: _____

Word #1: _____

Definition: _____

My Clue: _____

_____

_____

Word #2: _____

Definition: _____

My Clue: _____

5b READING RESPONSE

Book: _____

Word #1: _____

CHECKING MY WORK

- ☐ I completely answered the question.
- ☐ I restated part of the question in my answer.
- ☐ I used evidence from the text

Find **two** interesting or unknown words in your book. What clues help you to understand the words? What do you think the words mean?

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The Drive-In
Context Clues Fiction

Drive-in movie theaters are <u>scarce</u> nowadays. There are only a few left. Most drive-ins have been done away with, just like payphones and daily newspapers. I guess that lots of people prefer to see movies at those massive theaters with twenty different screens. My family still likes to go to the drive-in for a special evening.

One time, my family went to the drive-in to see a mystery movie. My stepdad parked the car a couple of rows behind the big screen. My mom and brother went to the snack bar to get some buttery popcorn and drinks for everyone. My stepdad had brought a small <u>portable</u> speaker from home, so while they were gone, we easily set it up inside our car. Now we had a way to listen to the movie.

I had been waiting to see The Case of the Copper Cobra for weeks. It was getting really good, too. Then I heard a strange noise. Grr… It was my brother!

"Dalton! Quiet down!" I demanded.

[brother] rocked from side to side in his seat. "I can't see the movie around Mom's head!"

[I rolled my] eyes at him and went back to enjoying the story that was unfolding on the screen. The [sound] of the portable speaker was tense; I was on pins and needles. I was aware that a cool [breeze drifted into the] car from the window my brother had opened. I was so <u>captivated</u> and [absorbed in the movie], that I wasn't concerned with anything else.

[...] the bottom of my brother's sneakers as he fell b[...]

music [...]

breeze was [...]

interested in the [...]

[...] When I turned my [...]

[...] words is an exa[...] ce item?

3 Passages/Assessments