WV TREE Resource:

English Language Arts

Resource Name: Learn New Words Using Context

Grade Level(s): [ ]  5th Grade [ ]  6th Grade [ ]  7th Grade [x]  8th Grade [ ]  9th Grade

 [ ]  10th Grade [ ]  11th Grade [ ]  12th Grade

Resource Summary/Overview: This lesson from Learn NC provides students with guided practice using context clues to determine the meaning of unknown words. Any newspaper or magazine article may be used for the lesson.

Length: One 45-minute class period

Domain(s) Addressed: [x]  Reading [ ]  Writing [ ]  Speaking/Listening [x]  Language

West Virginia College- and Career-Readiness Standards:

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| ELA.8.10 | Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in an informational text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including analogies or allusions to other texts. |
| ELA.8.39 | Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words or phrases based on grade 8 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies. * Use context (e.g., the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph or a word’s position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
* Use common, grade-appropriate Greek or Latin affixes and roots as clues to the meaning of a word (e.g., precede, recede, or secede).
* Consult general and specialized reference materials (e.g., dictionaries, glossaries, and/or thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation of a word or determine or clarify its precise meaning or its part of speech.
* Verify the initial determination of the meaning of a word or phrase (e.g., by checking the inferred meaning in context or in a dictionary).
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Delivery Method(s): [x]  Direct Instruction [ ]  Whole Group [ ]  Pairs
 [x]  Small Group [ ]  Computer-based [ ]  Individual
 [ ]  Other (explain): Click here to enter text.

Resource Materials: [ ]  Text(s) [ ]  Handouts [ ]  Media [ ]  Rubric

 [x]  Other (explain): Instructional plan

Resource Purpose(s): [ ]  Engage/Activate [ ]  Introduce Topic/Skill [x]  Review Topic/Skill

 [x]  Formative Assessment [ ]  Summative Assessment

 [ ]  Reinforce Skill [ ]  Enrichment [ ]  Intervention/Support

 [ ]  Other (explain): Click here to enter text.

Instructor Notes: The lesson plan is available at <http://www.oercommons.org/courses/learn-new-words-using-context/view>. A projector will be needed.