

NONFICTION QUESTIONS

task cards

2nd & 3rd GRADE

1 Context Clues

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What is a synonym for the word **profession**?

- a. Music
- b. Job
- c. Play
- d. Exercise



2 Context Clues

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- a. Gather
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3 Context Clues

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4 Context Clues

Earth has land and water and abundant plant life. The planet where we live has many **resources** for living things.

What does **resources** mean?

- a. Sun
- b. Homes
- c. Supplies
- d. Planets



Ways to Use Task Cards

1. **Centers**
2. **Scoot:** Pass out one card for each student. Set a timer and say, “scoot!” when the timer goes off. Students move seats to the next card. They continue to rotate until they are back at their original seat.
3. **Scavenger Hunt:** Hide cards around the room. Students search for cards and answer them.
4. **Jenga:** Number Jenga blocks. Students stack the blocks, then take turns pulling blocks. Students answer the corresponding number card.
5. **Whole class practice:** Teacher displays card on the projector. Students answer on mini white boards.
6. **Exit Tickets:** Give each student a task card at the end of the lesson. Have them answer on a sticky note.



Context Clues Challenge

- Underline the context clue you used to determine the meaning of the word.
- Sort the words by type of context clue (definition, example, synonym, antonym, word part.)



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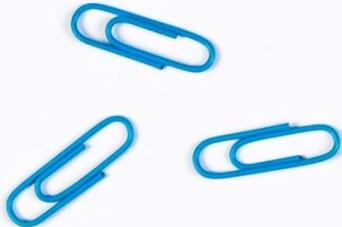
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17 Context Clues

Arachnids, or eight-legged insects, are joint-legged animals that include spiders, ticks, scorpions, and more.

- What is a synonym for **arachnid**?
- Scorpions
 - Spiders
 - Eight-legged insect
 - Animals



Answer Sheet



Name: _____ Date: _____

Card #	Answer	Card #	Answer
1.	b	16.	b
2.	c	17.	c
3.	a	18.	a
4.	c	19.	c
5.	c	20.	d
6.	a	21.	c
7.	b	22.	a
8.	d	23.	d
9.	d	24.	c
10.	d	25.	a
11.	a	26.	c
12.	b	27.	d
13.	d	28.	a
14.	a	29.	d
15.	d	30.	b

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18 Context Clues

The teacher said to find a way to solve the problem. The students talked to each other until they had a **resolution**. Then, they made a plan.



Resolution means:

- a. A way to solve a problem
- b. A problem that can be solved
- c. A reason
- d. Something to write

19 Context Clues

The elephant **herd** moved through the land without meeting any lions along the way. When animals travel in packs, it is safer for them.

Herd means:

20 Context Clues

The bee didn't **pierce** the kids playing in their fort made out of sheets. No one got stung, and it flew outside after a minute or two.



What is a synonym for **pierce**?

- a. Upset
- b. Touch
- c. Buzz
- d. Prick

29 Context Clues

When I **discerned** that the door wouldn't open, I saw that the window was locked too.

Discerned means:

- a. Felt
- b. Heard
- c. Unlocked
- d. Noticed





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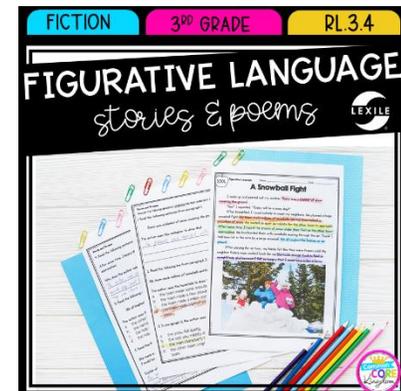
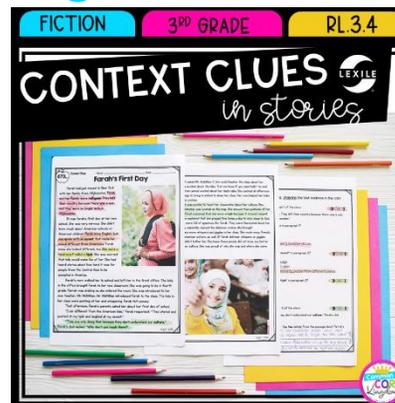
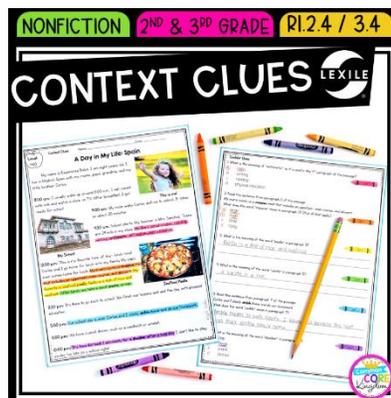


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