Word study

- Identifying contextual Definition
- Identifying Part of Speech from Suffixes
- Finding the Meaning of a Word in the Dictionary
Using Context Clue

- Type of clue
- Synonym
- Definition
- Contrast
- Example
- Clue from another sentence
- Experience
Using Context Clue

- Synonym
- The garden was *redolent*, or *fragrant*,

with the scent of roses

- *What to look for*
- In other word, or, that is to say, also known as, by this we mean, that is
Using Context Clue

- **Definition**
  - The psychological term *interiority* is defined as a tendency toward looking within during middle age.

- **Phrases:**
  - *Is defined as,*
  - *is,* *is known as,* *that is,*
  - *refers to,* *means,* *the term,*
  - *a term in bold print,*
  - *italics,* *color*

- **Punctuation marks that set off a definition or a term:**
  - *comma (,)*
  - *parentheses ( ), bracket [ ],*
  - *dashes (-), collon (:)*
Using Context Clue

- **Contrast**
  - I did my physical therapy exercise incorrectly and, instead of helping my back, they were actually deleterious.

- Instead of, but, in contrast, on the other hand, however, unlike, although, even though
Using Context Clue

- Example
  - He enjoys **aquatic** sports
    - such as swimming, scuba diving, and water skiing.

- For example, such as, to illustrate, like
Using Context Clue

- Clue from another sentence
  - When studying for this final exams, the student was told to *eschew* television. “*Just give TV up!*” was his roommate's advice

- Additional information in another sentence that may help explain the unfamiliar word.
Using Context Clue

- Experience clue
  - *The campers were warned that hiking up that steep mountain trail would enervate even the fittest members of their group.*

- A sentence that includes a familiar experience (or information you already know) can help you figure out the meaning of the new word.
Identifying part of speech from suffixes

- **Agent Noun**
  - -er
  - -or
  - -ist
  - -ian
  - -ant
  - -ent

- **Example**
  - Worker
  - Educator
  - Typist
  - Technician
  - Accountant
  - student
Identifying part of speech from suffixes

- Other noun suffixes
  - -ion
  - -ness
  - -ty
  - -ism
  - -ment

- Example
  - Nationalisation
  - Hapiness
  - Nationality
  - Communism
  - government
Identifying part of speech from suffixes

- Adjective
  - -ic
  - -al
  - -ous
  - -ive
- Example
  - Scientific
  - Regional
  - Dangerous
  - Active
Identifying part of speech from suffixes

- Adverb
- -ly

Examples
- Quickly
- Deeply
- Appropriately