# Homographs

5th grade R 1.3

# Learning Objective

• We will identify and use homographs.

CFU What are we going to do today? What are we going to use today?

#### Read the following sentences:

- Jill got water from the <u>well</u>.
- Jill wasn't feeling <u>well</u> at school today.

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well (n.) – a deep hole from which water is
drawn
well (adj.) – healthy
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Do they have the same meaning? Words that have the same spelling but different meanings are called homographs. Today, we use homographs.



### Homographs (multiple-meaning words) are words that have the same spelling but different meanings.

*They can be pronounced differently or the same. You can only explain the meaning of a homograph by looking at how it is used in a sentence.* 

#### Example:

 The <u>dove</u> flew by the window.
 She <u>dove</u> into the pool.
 dove /dav/ (n.)-a small white bird dove /douv/ (v.)-the past tense of dive

#### Non-example:

 The <u>knight</u> drew his sword.
 It was the middle of the <u>night</u>.
 Knight /nit/ (n.) –a soldier who followed the king Night /nit/ (n.) –when it is dark outside



What are homographs?

Which of these are examples of homographs?

flour, flowerb. light, light

How did you know that?

## It is important to be able to use homographs because:

- *the same word can have different meanings.*
- you can better understand what you are reading.
- *it can be tested on the CST.*

No CST questions have been released for homographs.

Why it is important to be able to use homographs? (pair-share) You may give me my reason or one of your own. **Step #1:** Read the sentences and circle the homographs. Step #2: Underline words in the sentence that help explain the meaning of the homograph. **Step #3:** Circle the correct meaning for the homograph in each sentence. **Step #4:** Write two complete sentences using the homographs.

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- Step #4: Write two complete sentences using the homographs.
- Anna was supposed to close the door. (to shut near)
- The students are sitting too close to each other. (to shut; near)
- Please close the door after coming inside. There are several monkeys close to the bars in the cage.
- Why did I choose "close" as a homograph? How did I determine the different meanings?
- Guided Practice "I do"

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# This tree has thick bark (cover of a tree; sound made by a dog)

The loud bark kept me awake. (cover of a tree, sound made by a dog)

## The bark of the tree is rough. Those dogs bark every night.

How did I know which words were homographs? How did I know which words to underline? How did I determine the correct meaning of the homographs?

Guided Practice "We do" Step #1: Read the sentences and circle the homographs.

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# Did the soldier desert the army? (leave, dry and sandy place)

He walked in the hot desert without water. (leave; dry and sandy place)

The kids planned to desert their parents as soon as they got to the park.

The plane will fly over the desert.

Do Step #1 and show. Gu How did you know which words were homographs? Do Step #2... Do Step #3... How do you determine the meaning of each homograph?

Guided Practice: "You do"

1. What are words that have the **same spelling** but **different meanings**?

2. What did you learn today about using homographs? Why is it important to you? (pair-share)

#### 3. Use the homographs below.

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Step #4: Write two complete sentences using the homographs.

She went to see the play at her school. (story for theatre; take part in a game)

"Do you play basketball?" asked Ryan. (story for theatre, take part in a game)

## **Independent Practice**

\* Follow the steps to identify and use homographs.