


Which Word Works?

Grade 2

Language Arts

What is a multiple meaning word?

- Many words have more than one meaning.
- The meaning of the word depends upon how it is used in the sentence.

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Let's look at an example...

Here are three different meanings of the word **track**:

- a mark left by someone or something
- a path
- a set of rails that trains move on

Which meaning of the word **track** is used in each sentence below?

track:

1. a mark left by someone or something
2. a path
3. a set of rails that trains move on

The cars raced around the **track**. 2

The railroad **track** cuts across the road. 3

Is that a bear **track** in the dirt? 1

Ready to try a few more?

dance: 1. to move the body in time to music
2. a party where people move to music

The dance started at seven o'clock. 2

Justin likes to dance to fast music. 1



Here's another one...

bat: 1. a wooden stick used for hitting a ball
2. a mammal that usually flies at night

Andrew gripped the bat tightly as he waited for the pitch. 1



I saw a bat hanging from the rafters of my grandpa's barn. 2



Let's try something a little different....

Read the two sentences and look at the words below them. Find the word that fits in **both** blanks. Here's an example:

The rubber band will _____ if you pull it too far.

The dog will _____ at me if I try to pet him.

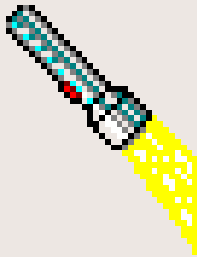


breaks**nap**bitesniff

Click on the word that fits best in both blanks. Remember, the word has to fit best in both blanks, not just one.

TIP: If you aren't sure which answer is correct, try each one in both blanks.

Please _____ the flashlight over here.



The _____ on this pencil broke.



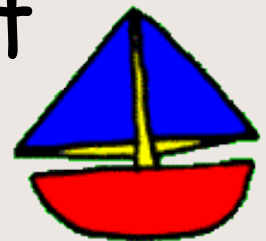
eraser top shine point

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Please stack the dirty dishes in the _____.

The boat was so heavy that it started to _____.



kitchen sinkwreckwater

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Mom made _____ with the strawberries we picked.



I don't want to _____ my fingers in the door.

jelly

slam

jam

shut