

Leap Frog

"Leap" over the unknown word and finish reading the sentence. The context of other words in the sentence will give clues to the unknown word.





The big, black gorilla ate a banana.



Running Start

Works together with the Leap Frog strategy. After finishing the sentence, go back to the beginning of the sentence and read it again with a little more fluency. The more fluently you read the easier it will be to discover contextual clues to the unknown word.





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Puzzle

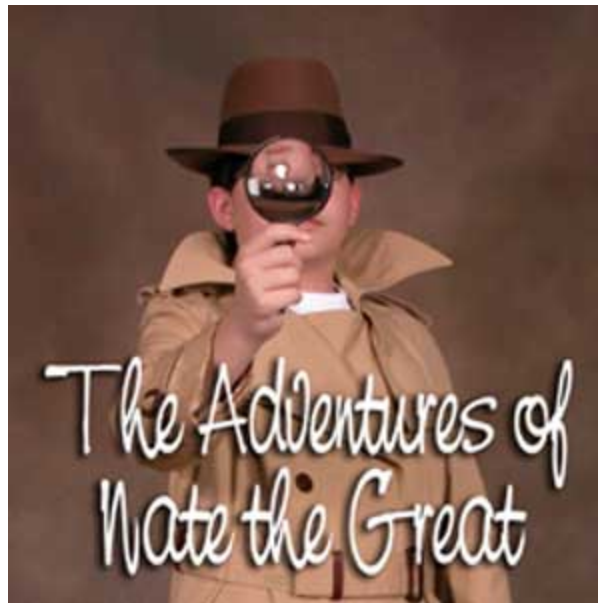
Look closely at the unknown word and try to find smaller words or word parts that you know how to read, and then put these parts together. You may use your finger to cover up parts of the word to assist you in seeing the smaller parts.

I had a sandwich for my lunch.



Nate the Great

Look at the picture on the page
to discover clues to the
unknown word.



The furious man yelled at the dog for going potty on the floor.



Caboose

Does the unknown word have an ending
(s, ed, ing, est, er)?

Cover up the ending and try to read the word
without the ending (base word).



The turtle is smaller than a lion but the elephant is the biggest of all.



MSSLL

Makes Sense, Sounds Like Language.

Does the word you tried make sense in the
sentence?

Does it sound like how we talk?



The funny comedian told a joke.

crayon

crab



Viola Swamp

The name of the dreaded substitute teacher in the Miss Nelson series.

When you see an unknown word with a capital letter at the beginning it is probably a name of someone or something. Pronounce it the best you can and move on. Mispronouncing names will not interfere with comprehension.



Maitland Pontelandolfo is my niece.

Frog & Toad

If you have tried all the strategies
and still do not know
word, ask a friend.

