

Words with Multiple Meanings

There are many words in English that are spelled and sound the same but have different meanings. These are called words with multiple meanings. The ability to understand words with multiple meanings helps us understand better what we are reading. We can connect words to help us figure out what they mean in context.

Example:

Get it?

- 1. I have to pay the bill because I called for someone else to do the work. It was important to get someone for an assistant.
- 2. I wish you could help my project. I just started.

Directions:

Get a dictionary. You will see that many words have more than one meaning. Each word listed below has two meanings. Write the letter of the definition that fits the sentence.

- 1. The father will be upset if the child...
 - a. is part of the book
 - b. is sad or angry
 - c. is a part of the computer
- 2. Washed her hair up.
 - a. to clean or dry
 - b. to clean or dry
 - c. to clean or dry
- 3. A girl has her hand up tonight...
 - a. something you use to hold a book
 - b. a part of the hand
 - c. a part of the hand
- 4. Along side the water the land is up.
 - a. is a part of cutting
 - b. is a part of cutting
 - c. is a part of cutting