



OH NO! You've found a word you don't understand!

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Read around and replace Read the whole sentence or paragraph and replace it with a synonym.	Find a word in a word Is there a word in the word that you recognise? Does it sound similar to something else?	Find the root word Can you find the root word? Do you recognise it?
Find the suffix/ prefix Can the suffix or prefix help you understand it's meaning?	the Beeches Primary School	Look for context clues What is the text about? Can it help you make an educated guess?
Look at the pictures Does the text have pictures or diagrams that could help?	Check the glossary (Non- fiction) Don't forget the glossary is there to help you!	Use your background knowledge Think carefully about what you already know about the subject for clues.
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