

Pond Word Tools

Use word tools to clarify new meanings.

2.L.V.3.d “Use glossaries and beginning dictionaries, both print and digital, to determine or clarify the meaning of words and phrases. (l)”

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DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline the two words Maya looks up. Circle the word tool she uses for each one so you can see where she found its meaning.

Words at the Pond

- ① At the pond, Maya saw a frog hide under a lily pad. She read a sign that said, “A habitat is a place where a plant or animal lives.” Maya wanted to learn more words about the pond.
- ② Her nature book had a glossary at the back. A glossary lists important words and their meanings. Maya found the word “shelter.” The glossary said shelter means a safe place that protects an animal from rain, wind, or danger.
- ③ Maya also used a digital beginning dictionary on a tablet. She typed “webbed” in the search box. It said webbed means having skin between the toes, like a duck’s feet. The meaning helped Maya understand why ducks swim well.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE Use the passage

1 Use the glossary meaning in paragraph 2. What does shelter mean?

2 What word did Maya type into the digital dictionary search box?

3 Maya wants to check the meaning of shelter again. Which word tool in the passage should she use?

3 YOUR TURN Your own words

Choose a word from a book you are reading that you do not know. Use a print glossary or a beginning dictionary, print or digital, then write the word, the tool you used, and its meaning in your own words.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline the two words Maya looks up. Circle the word tool she uses for each one so you can see where she found its meaning. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Use the glossary meaning in paragraph 2. What does shelter mean?	A safe place that protects an animal from rain, wind, or danger.
2	What word did Maya type into the digital dictionary search box?	webbed
3	Maya wants to check the meaning of shelter again. Which word tool in the passage should she use?	The glossary in her nature book.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Word: nocturnal Tool: digital beginning dictionary Meaning: Nocturnal means awake and active at night.

Accept a real word, a named glossary or beginning dictionary, and a meaning that is accurate and written in the student's own words. The student may use a print or digital source.