Meaning Match Lab

Use a dictionary meaning that fits the sentence.

6.L.V.3.d "Use available print and/or digital resources, including reference materials and digital tools (e.g., online search, embedded word processing features), to determine, clarify..."

NAME _____ DATE _____

MATCHES

Use a print or digital dictionary to check the word. Choose MATCHES when the dictionary meaning fits the way the word is used in the sentence.

Sentence: The river's current moved the boat.
Dictionary: current, a flow of water. MATCHES

NO MATCH

Choose NO MATCH when the dictionary meaning does not fit the way the word is used in the sentence.

Sentence: The moon rose above the hills.
Dictionary: rose, a flower with thorns. NO MATCH

1 SORT

8 items

Read each sentence and dictionary meaning, then circle MATCHES or NO MATCH.

1.	The coach will train the new players. Dictionary: train, to teach skills through practice.	MATCHES NO MATCH
2.	The artist made a sketch before painting. Dictionary: sketch, a quick, simple drawing.	MATCHES NO MATCH
3.	The puppy barked at the mail carrier. Dictionary: bark, the outer covering of a tree.	MATCHES NO MATCH
4.	The hikers rested on a flat rock. Dictionary: flat, smooth and level.	MATCHES NO MATCH
5.	Mina's voice was soft during the library visit. Dictionary: soft, easy to press or not hard.	MATCHES NO MATCH
6.	Please watch the pot so it does not boil over. Dictionary: watch, a small clock worn on the wrist.	MATCHES NO MATCH
7.	The class will present reports on Friday. Dictionary: present, to show or give something to an audience.	MATCHES NO MATCH
8.	Dad left the keys on the table. Dictionary: table, a list of information in rows and columns.	MATCHES NO MATCH

2 PROVE IT

Explain your thinking

Pick two items from Part 1. For each one, tell how you knew where it belonged.

ITEM # _____ **HOW I KNEW** _____

ITEM # _____ **HOW I KNEW** _____

3 MAKE YOUR OWN

One of each

Write one new MATCHES example and one new NO MATCH example. For each one, write a sentence, a dictionary meaning, and the correct label.

MATCHES _____

NO MATCH _____

CHALLENGE

Use a print or digital dictionary to choose a new multiple-meaning word. Write two sentences that use it in different ways, then write the matching dictionary meaning for each sentence.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	The coach will train the new players. Dictionary: train, to teach skills through practice.	**MATCHES**	Train means to teach skills through practice in this sentence.
2	The artist made a sketch before painting. Dictionary: sketch, a quick, simple drawing.	**MATCHES**	Sketch means a quick, simple drawing in this sentence.
3	The puppy barked at the mail carrier. Dictionary: bark, the outer covering of a tree.	**NO MATCH**	Barked means made a dog sound, not the covering of a tree.
4	The hikers rested on a flat rock. Dictionary: flat, smooth and level.	**MATCHES**	Flat means smooth and level in this sentence.
5	Mina's voice was soft during the library visit. Dictionary: soft, easy to press or not hard.	**NO MATCH**	Soft means quiet here, not easy to press.
6	Please watch the pot so it does not boil over. Dictionary: watch, a small clock worn on the wrist.	**NO MATCH**	Watch means look after or observe here, not a wrist clock.
7	The class will present reports on Friday. Dictionary: present, to show or give something to an audience.	**MATCHES**	Present means show something to an audience in this sentence.
8	Dad left the keys on the table. Dictionary: table, a list of information in rows and columns.	**NO MATCH**	Table means a piece of furniture here, not a chart.

PART 2 · PROVE IT

Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item.

PART 3 · MAKE YOUR OWN (SAMPLE ANSWERS)

- **MATCHES**: Sentence: The seal rested on a rock. Dictionary: seal, a sea animal with flippers. MATCHES
- **NO MATCH**: Sentence: We will file the papers by date. Dictionary: file, a tool used to smooth rough edges. NO MATCH

Challenge: We sat on the bank to eat lunch. bank: land beside a river. I deposited my coins at the bank. bank: a business that keeps and lends money.

Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item. Accept student-created examples when the stated dictionary meaning clearly fits, or clearly does not fit, the sentence. For the challenge, both sentences must use the same word with different meanings and include accurate matching meanings.