

Meaning Fixers

Students choose ways to repair understanding while listening to short texts.

1.6.I "monitor comprehension and make adjustments such as re-reading, using background knowledge, checking for visual cues, and asking questions when understanding breaks down."

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DATE _____

Teacher: this page is run aloud. The script and answers are on the guide page.

1 CHOOSE A HELPER

a	know	reread	ask
b	ask	know	reread
c	reread	ask	know

2 CHECK THE SHAPE

a			
b			
c			

HOW TO RUN THIS PAGE

Read each situation and each choice aloud. Students show how they would fix a meaning problem by choosing a strategy, then they use a printed shape as a visual clue.

Students never read directions on this sheet. Read each part's script aloud, then each prompt, giving think time before students mark.

PART 1 • CHOOSE A HELPER

SAY "I will read the helper words in each row and then read a short situation. When something does not make sense, which helper would you try? Circle it."

ROW	SAY	STUDENTS CIRCLE
a	The helper words are know, reread, and ask. Listen: "Mia put on boots because puddles were deep." You are not sure why boots help with deep puddles. Would you think about what you already know, hear the sentence again, or ask a question? Circle the helper word you would try?	know
b	The helper words are ask, know, and reread. Listen: "Sam fed his fish before school." You forgot what Sam did before school. Would you ask a question, think about what you know, or hear the sentence again? Circle the helper word you would try?	reread
c	The helper words are reread, ask, and know. Listen: "The path was steep." You do not know what steep means. Would you hear the sentence again, ask a question, or think about what you know? Circle the helper word you would try?	ask

PART 2 • CHECK THE SHAPE

SAY "Sometimes a shape can help you understand a word you hear. Listen to each sentence, look at the printed shapes, and circle the shape clue that helps you."

ROW	SAY	STUDENTS CIRCLE
a	Listen: "The kite is diamond-shaped." You are not sure what diamond-shaped means. Which printed shape clue can you check? Circle it?	diamond
b	Listen: "The plate is oval." You are not sure what oval means. Which printed shape clue can you check? Circle it?	oval
c	Listen: "The window is a rectangle." You are not sure what rectangle means. Which printed shape clue can you check? Circle it?	rectangle

WHAT TO ACCEPT

Part 1 answers are know, reread, and ask. Part 2 answers are diamond, oval, and rectangle; accept a clear circle around the intended cell.