

Clue Detectives

Students listen to short texts, use clues, and mark their thinking.

K.5 "Comprehension skills: listening, speaking, reading, writing, and thinking using multiple texts. The student uses metacognitive skills to both develop and deepen comprehension of increasingly complex texts..."

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DATE _____

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

1 USE CLUES

a	sleep	swim	read
b	wind	snow	rain
c	tree	wall	dark

2 MATCH FACTS

bird	•	•	flowers
fish	•	•	fly
bee	•	•	swim

HOW TO RUN THIS PAGE

Tell students that their purpose is to listen for clues that help them understand each text. Read each text and its choices aloud, then read it again if students need to check a clue. Invite students to say which words helped them decide before they mark the page.

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

PART 1 • USE CLUES

SAY “Listen closely for clues in each short text. What choice fits the text best?”

ROW	SAY	STUDENTS CIRCLE
a	Listen: Omar packs a towel and puts on a swimsuit. He walks to the pool. What will Omar probably do next? The choices are sleep, swim, and read. Which word fits best?	swim
b	Listen: Drops fall from dark clouds. Nia opens an umbrella. What do you think is falling? The choices are wind, snow, and rain. Which word fits best?	rain
c	Listen: A flower needs sunlight. Mia sees one place by a wall that gets sun all day. Another place is under a tree and stays dark. Which place is best for the flower? The choices are tree, wall, and dark. Which word fits best?	wall

PART 2 • MATCH FACTS

SAY “Listen to three fact texts about the words in the left column. Text one: A bird has wings and uses them to fly. Text two: A fish has fins and uses them to swim. Text three: A bee visits flowers to find food. Which word on the right matches each word on the left? Draw a line to show each match.”

- **bird** matches **fly**
- **fish** matches **swim**
- **bee** matches **flowers**

WHAT TO ACCEPT

Circle answers are swim, rain, and wall. Match bird to fly, fish to swim, and bee to flowers. Accept lines that clearly connect each correct pair.