

Word Detective Trail

Listen for new words, talk about meanings, and use word tools.

K.RV "The student will systematically build vocabulary and word knowledge based on kindergarten content and texts heard. Vocabulary Development and Word Analysis Discuss meanings of words from a variety of texts and experiences..."

NAME _____

DATE _____

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

1 CIRCLE IT _____

a	fragile	smooth	enormous
b	smooth	enormous	fragile
c	observe	listen	whisper

2 WORD TOOLS _____

pictures	•	•	type
dictionary	•	•	look
e-dictionary	•	•	read

HOW TO RUN THIS PAGE

Read the listening sentence aloud, then pause so children can ask about a word they do not understand. Read every printed choice aloud for each task. This sheet lets children show word meanings, discuss new vocabulary, and connect simple reference tools with ways to use them.

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

PART 1 • CIRCLE IT

SAY “Listen: “At dawn, the curious fox paused beside a narrow stream and noticed a silver reflection.” What word would you like to ask about? Listen to each question, circle one word, then choose one circled word and tell a partner what it means.”

ROW	SAY	STUDENTS CIRCLE
a	Which word means “can break easily”? The choices are fragile, smooth, and enormous. Which word will you circle?	fragile
b	Which word means “very, very big”? The choices are smooth, enormous, and fragile. Which word will you circle?	enormous
c	Which word means “look carefully”? The choices are observe, listen, and whisper. Which word will you circle?	observe

PART 2 • WORD TOOLS

SAY “The words on the left name tools that can help with an unknown word. The words on the right name actions. How can you draw a line from each tool to an action you can use to learn about a word?”

- **pictures** matches **look**
- **dictionary** matches **read**
- **e-dictionary** matches **type**

WHAT TO ACCEPT

Circle fragile, enormous, and observe, in that order. Match pictures to look, dictionary to read, and e-dictionary to type. Accept any relevant oral question about a word in the listening sentence and an oral explanation of a circled word.