

Dictionary Skills

Objective

Students will use a dictionary or glossary to define words and use the words in sentences.

Materials

- Text
- Dictionary or glossary
- Dictionary Skills handout

Overview


Explicitly model and provide multiple opportunities for practice with corrective feedback.

Activity

1. Review how to find words in a dictionary or glossary (consider using textbook or basal glossary).
2. Model the example on the handout.
3. Have students read the text and use the dictionary or glossary to fill out the handout for unfamiliar words as they read (or provide a list of words).
4. Provide support and feedback.
5. Have students reread the text after practicing the word meanings.

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Word kite	Definition A tied object with a smooth surface that creates lift to fly
Picture 	Sentence The blue kite got stuck in the tree.

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