

5 Types of Context Clues

Definition Clues

The word's meaning is explained in the sentence.

Example Clues

An example of the word is given following the sentence or within the sentence.

Inference Clues

A word's definition is not explained.
You need to look for clues before or after the sentences.

Synonym Clues

Other words are used in the sentence that have similar meaning.

Antonym Clues

The word is clarified by giving the opposite meaning.

Signaled by words: whereas, unlike, as opposed to