

## Strategies to Determine Word Meaning

1. Write out the unfamiliar term.

2. Guess the meaning first and record your guess (es).

3. Use context. Record words or phrases that hint to the meaning of the word.

4. Consult reference materials (e.g., dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses), either print or digital. Record the definition (s).

5. Re-read the sentence, substituting the new definition in place of the unfamiliar word.

6. Create an original sentence using this word.