

TumbleTA REGIONAL STANDARDS EDITION Zoe Sophia's Scrapbook - Use Context to Determine Word Meaning	
Massachusetts Grade 3	
TEACHES	L.3.4

CURRENT FRAMEWORK

2017 Massachusetts Curriculum Framework for English Language Arts and Literacy

STANDARD

Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies. a. Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase. b. Determine the meaning of the new word formed when a known affix is added to a known word (e.g., agreeable/disagreeable, comfortable/uncomfortable, care/careless, heat/preheat). c. Use a known root word as a clue to the meaning of an unknown word with the same root (e.g., company, companion). d. Use glossaries or beginning dictionaries, both print and digital, to determine or clarify the precise meaning of key words and phrases. e. Recognize and use appropriately abbreviations related to grade-level content or common in everyday life (e.g., N, S, E, W on a map). f. Recognize and use appropriately symbols related to grade-level content or common in everyday life (e.g.,).

WHY THIS FROZEN LESSON EARNS TEACHES

Students determine meanings of three unfamiliar or Italian words using specific nearby context clues from the scrapbook.

INTEGRITY RULE

The regional standard is additive. The two lesson pages that follow are the frozen V5 lesson and have not been rewritten to obtain this standards match.

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Standards-First Short Lesson · Grade 3

Zoe Sophia's Scrapbook Use Context to Determine Word Meaning

20 MINUTES

TARGET

Determine the meaning of unfamiliar words and phrases using context.

STUDENT PRODUCT

Three fixed scrapbook locations: unfamiliar word/phrase + nearby clue + meaning.

LESSON SEQUENCE

1. Passage 9 vocabulary Use the scrapbook spread where Zoe Sophia writes Italian words with their meanings beside them. Students copy one word/phrase and the exact nearby explanation that unlocks it.
2. The reward notice Use the typed notice with the Italian for 'reward' printed prominently.

Students infer the word's meaning from what the notice is trying to accomplish.

3. The 'found' entry Use the entry headed with the Italian for 'found.' Students connect the heading to the gondolier arriving with Mickey.

4. Name the clue type For each row, students label the clue: direct explanation, purpose of the notice, or event in the entry.

ASSESSMENT · LOOK FOR

- Uses the three named scrapbook locations.
- Names a specific clue beside or around each unfamiliar term.
- Explains meaning from context rather than prior knowledge alone.

Standards-first rule: freeze the lesson after QA. Add a regional code only when the complete local expectation is actually satisfied.

TumbleTA · Student Evidence · Grade 3

Zoe Sophia's Scrapbook Italian with the Answer Beside It	
Name _____ Date _____	
FIXED BOOK LOCATION CLUE	MEANING
Passage 9 — Italian word with meaning beside it	
Notice — Italian for 'reward'	
Entry heading — Italian for 'found'	

This student page is part of the frozen standards-first lesson. Complete the evidence shown here; do not substitute a different task to fit a standard.