



## Picture Clues

Look at the pictures.

## Making Sense

Use the story(context) clues to help you figure out the unknown word.

Does it sound right? Does it make sense?

## Chunks

Do I know any chunks in the word?

Chunks include digraphs, blends, word families, and endings.

## Backtracking

Go back to the beginning of the sentence and reread to see what would make sense.

Good readers also use backtracking to make sure they are monitoring their understanding of the story.

## Skip the Word and Backtrack

1. Skip the word.
2. Read to the end of the sentence.
3. Backtrack.