

Clarifying with context clues

When you clarify, you notice words that don't make sense. These are challenge words.

Context clues are words right around the challenge word.

Context clues hint at the meaning of the challenge word.

- 1. Read the passage below. Look at the challenge words.
- 2. Re-read the sentences around each challenge word. These sentences give hints.
- 3. Write meanings for each challenge word.



Some kids worry about their looks. Shana worries about her **ample** hips. She thinks she looks heavy. Derek thinks his arms are **emaciated**. He has almost no biceps. Ana **frets** about her eyebrows. She thinks they are too dark. Josh's skin is his worry. He has little **blotches** on his face.

Nobody looks perfect. You can feel **disheartened** by comparing yourself to other people.

Challenge word	I think it means
ample	
emaciated	
fret	
blotches	
disheartened	

What would you say to a friend who worries too much about looks?

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