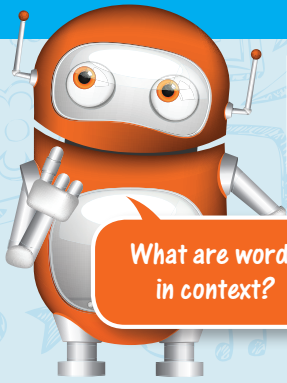


# Words in context

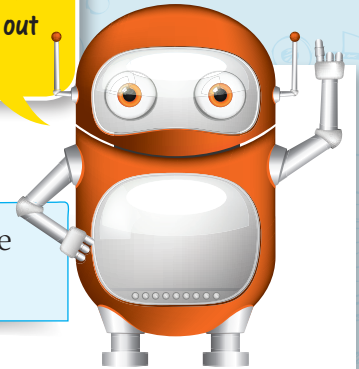


## Recap

Words in context means how words are used in the passage.

What are words in context?

When you read the passage, don't just try to work out what the word means. Try to work out what the whole sentence means.



## Revise

Read the following information from a text about bears.

Bears have to kill to eat. As a result of this, most people think of bears as being ferocious and frightening.

What does the word 'ferocious' mean in this sentence? Tick one.

- violent
- brave
- strong
- impressive

In this case, you should tick violent as it fits with frightening.

The other answers do not link as well with frightening.

## Skills check

Read the following passage and answer the questions.

The sea charged in towards the shore. I realised that the sandbank that I was standing on would soon be cut off. I tried in vain to make it back to the safety of the cliff.

1. *The sea charged in*

Which of these words has a similar meaning to 'charged' in this sentence? Tick one.

- moved
- raced
- poured
- flowed



2. *I tried in vain to make it back to the safety of the cliff.*

What does 'in vain' mean in this sentence?

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