

Clunk Strategy 1



Re read the sentence with the clunk, and the sentences before and after the clunk. Look for clues about what the word means.

In summer birds
molt or lose their
feathers.

Molt means...

Clunk Strategy 2



Reread the sentence without the word. Think of a word that would make sense in the sentence.

Clouds are composed of water droplets.



Clouds are ? of water droplets.

Composed means...

Clunk Strategy 3

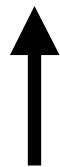


Look for the base word.
What does it mean?
How do the prefix and
suffix change the
meaning?

Un **comfort** **able**



prefix



base word



suffix

Uncomfortable means...

Clunk Strategy 4



Break the word apart
and look for smaller
words.

expect ation

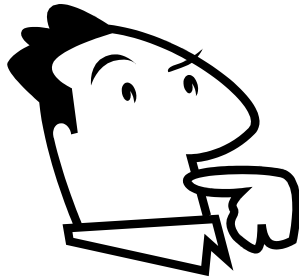
predict ion

Expectation means...

Clunk Strategy 5



Ask yourself some questions



- ① Do I know a word that sounds like the word I don't know?
- ② If I say the word out loud is there a feeling I get about what kind of word it is?
- ③ Does the word have a capital at the start? If it does, is it a name?