Students use a graphic organizer to learn vocabulary words with multiple meanings.

**MATERIALS:** Chart paper, marker

1. Select vocabulary words with multiple meanings, at least one of which has been taught previously.
2. Create a map and write the word in the center.
3. Lead a discussion to fill in the map.
4. Create a sample sentence to go with each definition.

**EXAMPLE:**

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   Definition #1
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Word         Definition #3
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           Definition #2
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**PREPARATION OF MATERIALS:** Select the graphic organizer which best suits your lesson. You may wish to enlarge the graphic organizer so that you can complete the activity together during small group instruction.
Multiple Meaning Words
3 Meanings

Current time
I’m busy at the present time.

Gift
This present is for your birthday.

present
To offer in a formal way
I present this award to you.

Multiple Meaning Words
2 Meanings

Animal in the home
I have a pet monkey.

To rub an animal
I like to pet my cat.

pet
Multiple Meaning Words

3 Meanings
Multiple Meaning Words
2 Meanings