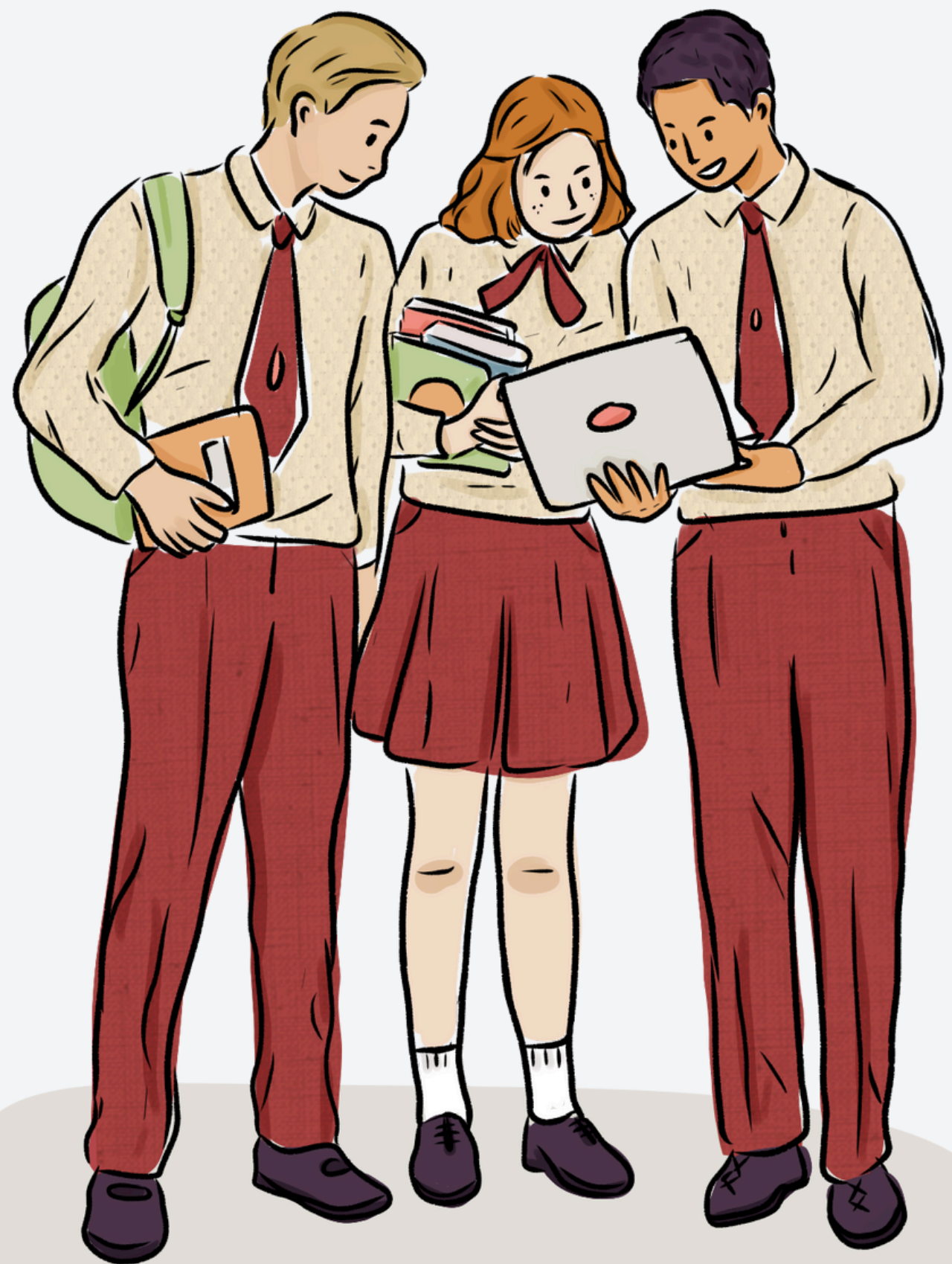


Context Clues

We use context clues to understand the meaning of unknown words





**How do we
find context
clues?**

Look for clues in the text



Definition

Look for the definition of the unknown word in the sentence:

"Drew was ecstatic to be in school, which means he was happy to be there."



What does ecstatic mean?



Ecstatic
means
very
happy

Example

Look for these words
to find an example:

like, such as, or

"Matt enjoys
completing science
experiments, such as
mixing elements to
make new discoveries."



What does experiment mean?



Experiment
means
to make new
discoveries

Synonym

Find another word that means the same thing as the unknown word:

"Daniel was eager or enthusiastic to answer the question."



What does enthusiastic mean?



Enthusiastic
means
being excited
and eager

Antonym

Find words that means the opposite of the unknown word:

"Olivia is very dedicated, unlike her older sister who doesn't try very hard."



What does dedicated mean?



Dedicated
means
very
hardworking

Your Turn

Grab a story or a book and look for unfamiliar words. Write them down in your notebook. Use clues from the text to understand the meaning of the unknown words.

