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The magical way of improving your vocabulary while having fun: Solve our unique riddles with multi-meaning words

When we think of English vocabulary, we often think of words. However, vocabulary is much more than just single words. 'Words enter into meaningful relations with other words around them...' (Sinclair 1996:76)

In English, most of the words have multiple meanings. Take "bark" as an example. When you look this word up in a dictionary, you face the fact that it does not have only one denotation (meaning).

Bark can mean the hard outer covering of a tree and it can also mean the loud noise that a dog makes.

To make cinnamon, you need to remove the bark of the tree.

I was listening to the barks of the neighbour's dog all night long.

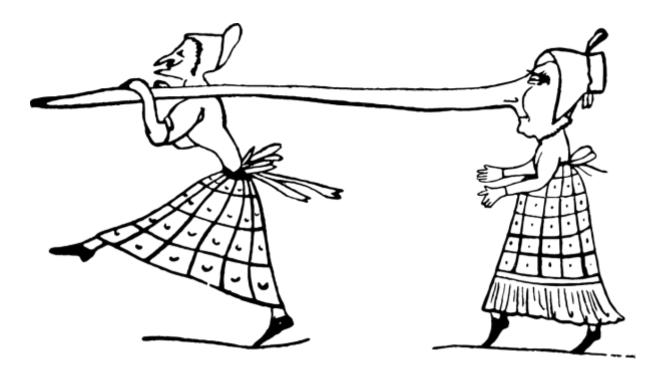
A word having more than just one denotation is called polysemy, which phenomenon you have to tackle with on a daily basis in English.

The best way for you to see how multi-meaning words work and memorise their denotations is to see them in context. Solving our riddles will help you do that.

If you are interested in whether your solutions are correct, send us your answers to contact@knowledgepond.co.uk. Our educators will be happy to help you. Correcting your answers is free of charge.

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You are lying yet you are telling the truth. How is that possible?



How can a person have more than 20 pupils?

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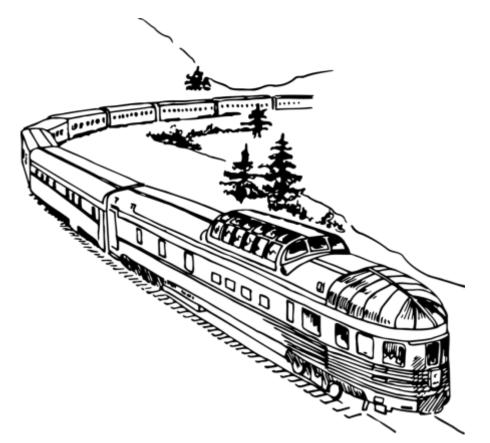
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When wouldn't an English teacher be satisfied with a long sentence?



You walk into a restaurant. Suddenly a tall man with broad shoulders steps to you and gives you a punch. Why are you smiling?



When are girls happy with a long train right behind them?