

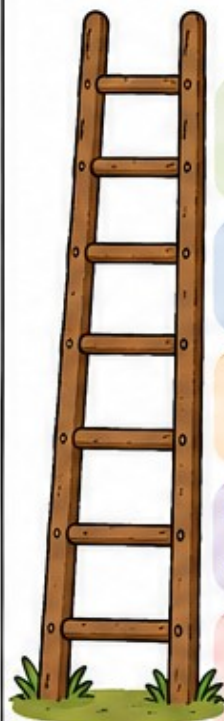
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THE MEANING LADDER

Not all clues help the same way!

Draw the words or write the clues in the boxes.



GIVES US
A LOT OF
INFORMATION



STRONG
CLUE



USEFUL CLUE,
BUT NOT
EVERYTHING



FAMILIAR PIECES
DO NOT SOLVE
THE WHOLE WORD



HISTORY
GIVES US
ANOTHER CLUE



DRAW AND GUESS!

Pretend you have never seen a butterfly.
Someone only tells you: BUTTER + FLY.
What do you think it looks like?



After you draw, compare your picture with the real butterfly!

**MYSTERY WORD (OPTIONAL)****ROBOT**

Clap the syllables.

Can you break ROBOT into two ordinary
English words that explain what it is?

_____ + _____

Does this help us understand what a
robot really is?

☐ YES ☐ A LITTLE ☐ NOT MUCH

Why or why not?

TODAY'S BIG IDEA

Words have meaning. Clues can help us. A clue does not have
to be the whole answer to be useful. We are word detectives!

