

Write a précis of the following passage and suggest a suitable title.

One of the fundamental facts about words is that the most useful ones in our language have many meanings; That is partly why they are so useful; they work overtime ..... Think of all the various things we mean by the word "foot" on different occasions: one of the lower extremities of all human body, a measure of verse, the ground about a tree, twelve inches, the floor in front of the stair. The same is true of nearly every common noun or verb.

Considering the number of ways of taking a particular word, the task of speaking clearly and being understood would seem pretty hopeless if it were not for another very important fact about language. Though a word may have many senses, these senses can be controlled, up to a point, by the context in which the word is used. When we find the word in a particular verbal setting, we can usually decide quite definitely which of the many senses of the word is relevant. If a poet says his verse has three feet, it doesn't occur to you that he could mean it's a yard long or is three-legged (unless perhaps you are a critic planning to puncture the poet with a pun about his "lumping verse"). The context rules out these maverick senses quite decisively.

PRÉCIS:

Indent the paragraph.

A word has many dimensions  
depend upon its usage. A word "foot"  
is perceived differently in different scenarios.

A word has many senses but ~~the~~ its  
Context helps to find a "true meaning"  
through verbal sequence. If a poet talks  
about his verse has certain length, it  
means he used this as a metaphor but his  
context describes its sense completely.

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Title :- Words meaning hidden in its  
Context

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OR

Word makes sense through  
Context.

Do not include examples in precis.  
Just give their gist without  
specifying details.

Title should preferably be a phrase, not a  
sentence.