

The words with myriad of meanings in language reign supreme regarding their usefulness. They are useful owing to its usage on various occasions. For instance, many common nouns and verbs exist in their various manifestation construing multitude of meanings. Nonetheless, the manifold meanings can be constrained by putting these words in context. Moreover, in verbal setting one can easily gauge context. Like, a poet's use of word 'feet' in verse does not imply measuring unit. Henceforth, the context eliminate ~~the~~ sort of non befitting senses of words.

Title :

**Significance of context
in deconstruction of actual
Meaning**

Precise: 78

1. Write a precis of the following passage, suggesting 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 the human body, a measure of verse, the ground about a tree, twelve inches, the floor in front of the stairs. 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 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.