

# Vocabulary Mapping

A strategy to help you understand unfamiliar words while reading.



# What Is Vocabulary Mapping?

Vocabulary mapping is a strategy that helps readers break down unfamiliar words.

It encourages learners to think about meaning, examples, and connections to what they already know.



# Focus on the Target Word

Start with the word itself.

Say it, read it, and think about where you saw it.



# Breaking Down the Target Word

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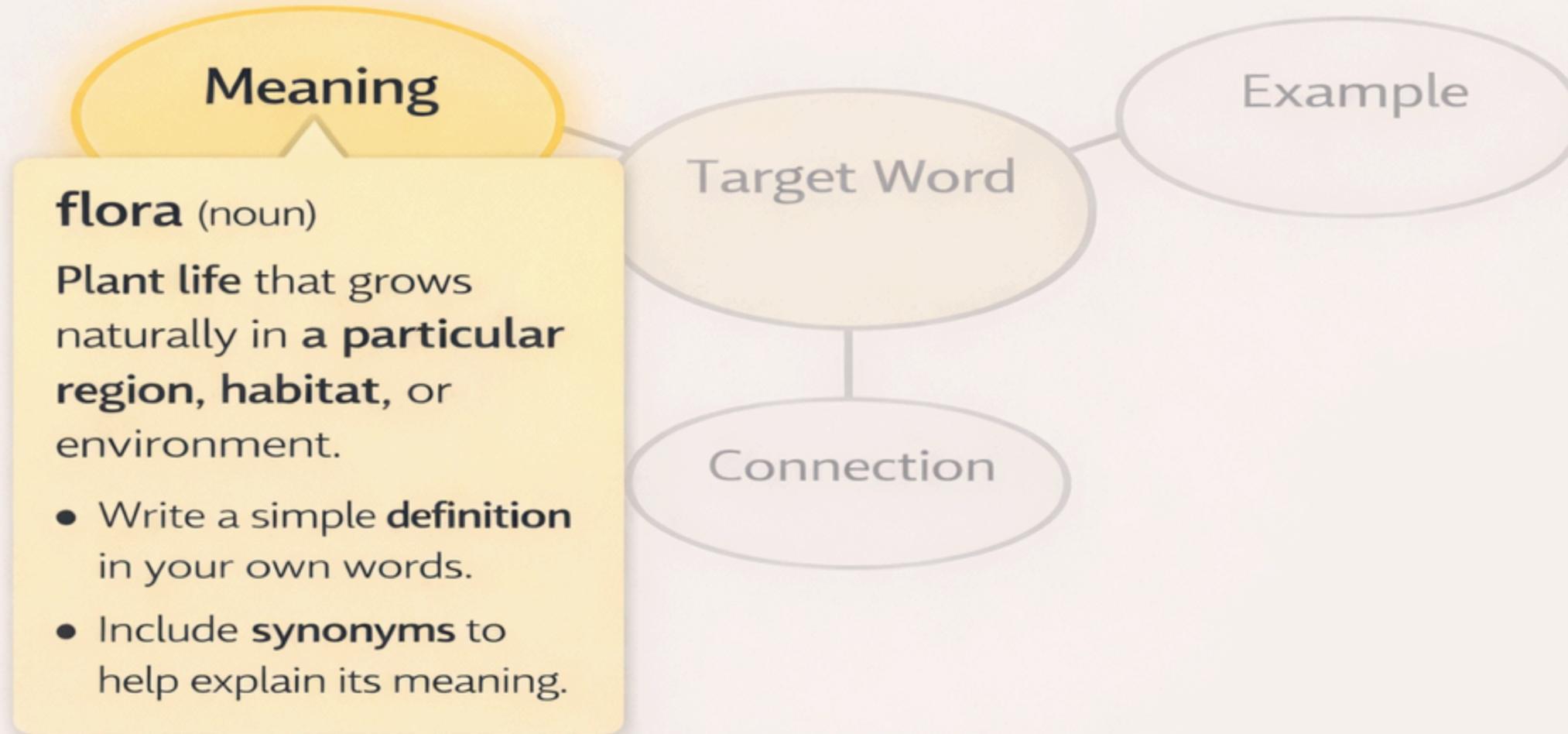


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# Explore the Meaning

Look up the target word in a dictionary or online.

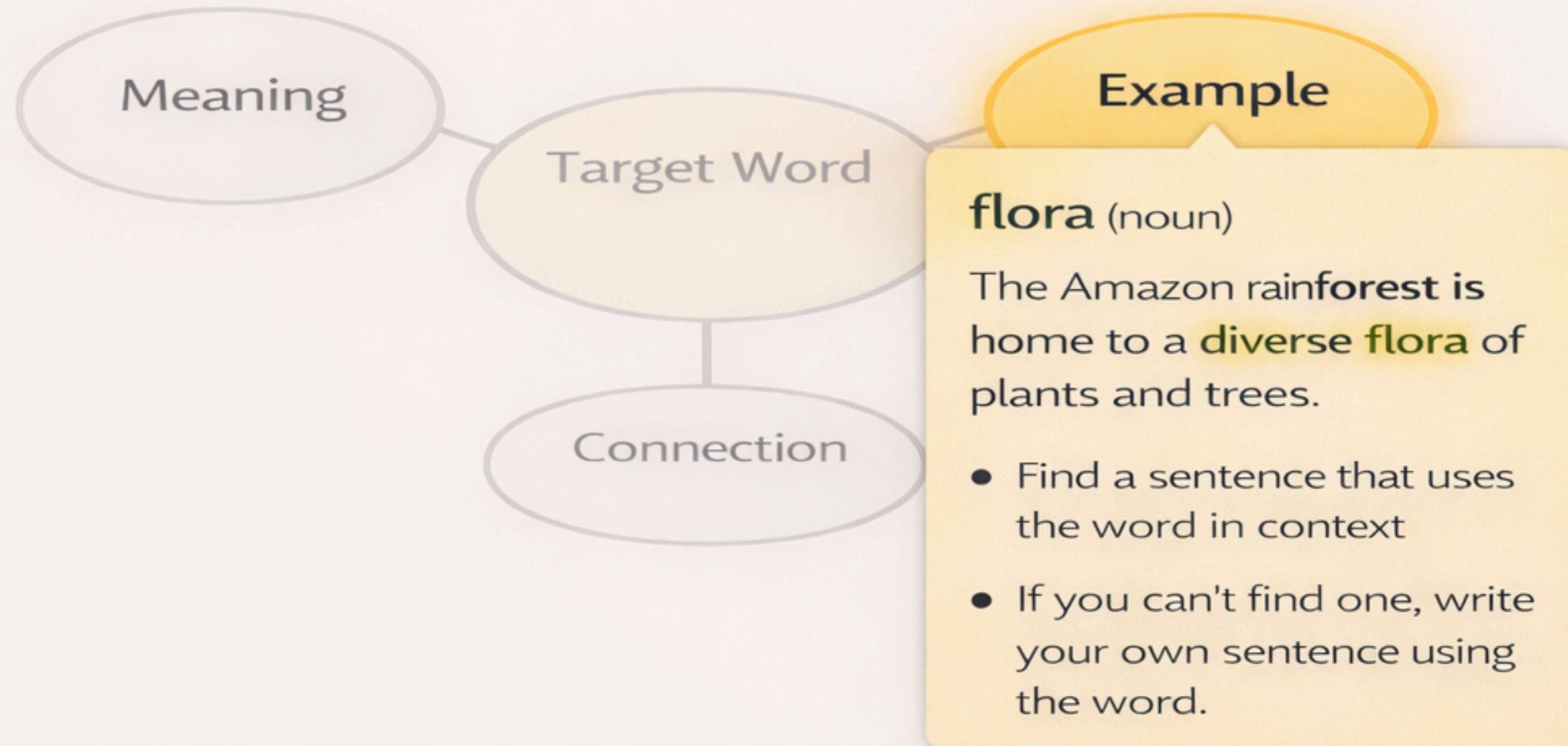
Read the definition carefully to understand its meaning and usage.



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# Find an Example

Identify the sentence where you saw the word in context.  
If you don't remember, make up your own sentence as an example.



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# Make a Personal Connection

Think about how the word relates to your own life or experiences.



**flora** (noun)

- I see a wide variety of **flora** in the **garden**.
- When I visited a national park, I learned about the local **flora**.

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# Review the Vocabulary Map

Check over your vocabulary map to be sure it is complete. Make sure each section has been filled in correctly. Feel free to go back to the previous steps if you need to make any changes.



I've completed this slide

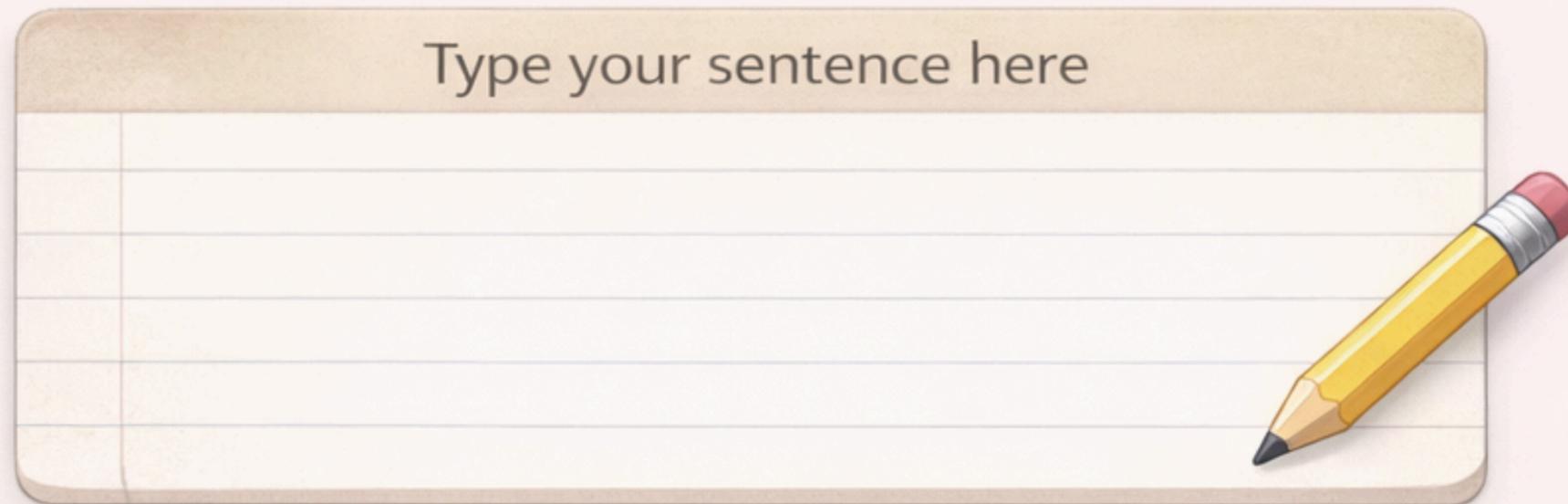
I need more time

# Use the Word in a New Sentence

You are now ready to apply your understanding of the word.

Write one complete sentence that correctly uses the target word in context.

Type your sentence here

A graphic of a notepad with a yellow pencil. The notepad has a light brown cover and several white pages with horizontal lines. The text "Type your sentence here" is written on the top page. A yellow pencil with a red eraser and a silver band is positioned diagonally on the right side of the notepad.

## Remember to:

- ✓ Use the word correctly
- ✓ Make sure your sentence makes sense
- ✓ Connect the word to something you know

I've written my sentence

Go back and review

## Activity Complete

Great job! You have successfully applied your understanding of the word.