

# Functions

Guided  
Practice  
Ideas  
Continued

**Matching** – Connect each word in the first column to its function in the second column.

**Curriculum Relevant  
Vocabulary Words**

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window

shoes

calculator

hibernation

opinion

road

character

government

author

decimal

**Functions**

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helps people do math problems

acts out stories in books and other types of fiction

protects your feet

allows motor vehicles, such as cars and trucks, to travel smoothly

lets you see outside

helps animals survive the winter

writes books and other fiction

helps signify parts of numbers

tells others a belief, or what you think

makes and enforces laws; also helps divide and distribute resources

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**Backward Functions** – Instruct students to label each curriculum vocabulary word by its function. Create backward functions at individual levels. Require oral or written answers.

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**Pre-Academic:** What writes on paper? What do you use to keep food cold? What do you call the thing you sleep in at night? What do you open to get into a room? What carries groceries?

**Early Elementary:** What do you use to look up the meaning of difficult words? What can you use to see things that are far away? What tells you how hot or how cold it is? What supplies food and a growing environment for plants? What tells you what something is like?

**Later Elementary:** What kind of word do you use to describe things? Who leads each state? What do you write on things to make them official? Who explores places where no one has gone before?

**Advanced:** What kind of word do you use to replace a name? What's used to make people aware of a company's products? Who decides guilt or innocence in a court of law? How do people move lawfully from one country to another? What is the process called by which water goes back into the atmosphere?