

# FLAILING

## Flailing

Using your own words and prior knowledge, what is the meaning of the term *flailing*?

## Translated Text

Read the excerpt below to determine the meaning of *flailing* using your context clues. Add to your thoughts on what the meaning is, and what context clues helped you understand the word.

*“Then away he swam, the one who had survived  
The fall of his enemies, flailing to the surface.”*

How have your thoughts on the meaning of *flailing* changed or stayed the same? What context clues helped you?

## Graphic Novel - Pg. 42

Read the section from the graphic novel where the scene is portrayed visually. How have your thoughts on the meaning of *flailing* changed or stayed the same? What context clues helped you?

## Definition

Look up the formal definition. How is this definition similar or different from what you originally thought?