



Sentence Structure and Style

Today's Standard

5.L.3a - Expand, combine, and reduce sentences for meaning, reader/listener interest, and style.

Cues	Notes
What is sentence expansion?	Sentence expansion involves adding details to make sentences more informative or interesting.
Why combine sentences?	Combining sentences can create more complex and engaging text, but must be done carefully to avoid confusion.
How to reduce sentences?	Reducing sentences involves simplifying them to improve clarity and focus.
Examples of varied sentence structures?	Using a mix of short and long sentences can make writing more dynamic and engaging.
Common misconceptions about sentence combining?	Longer sentences are not always better; sentence variety is key to maintaining interest.

Summary

Understanding how to expand, combine, and reduce sentences helps create engaging and clear writing. Mastery of these skills involves balancing sentence length and structure for clarity and reader interest.