

Cornell Motes

Parallel Structure in Writing

Today's Standard

9-10.L.1a - Use parallel structure.*

Cues	Notes
What is parallel structure?	Parallel structure involves using the same pattern of words to show that two or more ideas have the same level of importance.
Why is parallel structure	· ·
important?	It enhances readability and persuasiveness by creating balanced sentences.
How do you identify parallel	
structure?	Identify parallel structure by looking for repeated grammatical forms in sentences.
What are common mistakes	
with parallel structure?	Common mistakes include using different grammatical forms in a list or series.
How can you correct	
non-parallel structure?	Correct non-parallel structure by rewriting sentences to use the same grammatical forms.

Summary

Parallel structure uses the same pattern of words for clarity and balance. It's important for readability and persuasiveness. Common mistakes include inconsistent grammatical forms, which can be corrected by ensuring uniformity in sentence patterns.