

Parent Guide to the

Word Formation Patterns

Today's Standard

11-12.L.4b - Identify and correctly use patterns of word changes that indicate different meanings or parts of speech (e.g., conceive, conception, conceivable).

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing essays with varied vocabulary; Understanding literature and poetry; Improving SAT/ACT vocabulary; Creating professional emails and reports; Enhancing public speaking skills; Interpreting complex texts in other subjects

Today | Learned

Today, we learned about how words can change to mean different things. For example, 'conceive' can become 'conception' or 'conceivable.'

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids think that changing words only means adding parts to the beginning or end, but words can change in other ways too. Also, not all words change in the same way.

Quiz Me

- What is a noun?
- What is a verb?
- Can you give an example of a word that changes?
- What happens when you add 'un-' to 'happy'?
- What is the noun form of 'decide'?

Help Me

Understanding how words change can help you read and write better. For example, knowing that 'act' can become 'action' helps you understand what people are doing in a story.