



Central Ideas and Summarization

Today's Standard

11-12.RH.2 - Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary that makes clear the relationships among the key details and ideas.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Analyzing historical documents; Summarizing news articles; Interpreting primary sources in research; Reviewing academic papers; Understanding speeches and letters; Evaluating textbooks; Summarizing legal documents

Today I Learned

Today we learned how to find the main ideas in a text and write a short summary that explains the important parts.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Some kids think that summarizing means just making the text shorter, but it's about finding the important ideas. Others think that original documents are always better, but both types of documents can have problems.

Quiz Me

- What is a central idea?
- How do you summarize a text?
- What is a primary source?
- What is a secondary source?
- Why is context important?

Help Me

We learned how to find the main ideas in things like news articles or historical documents and write a short summary. This helps us understand and explain the important parts clearly.