

Parent Guide to the Standards

# **Analyzing Complex Ideas and Events**

## Today's Standard

11-12.RI.3 - Analyze a complex set of ideas or sequence of events and explain how specific individuals, ideas, or events interact and develop over the course of the text.

#### Real-World Applications for this Standard

Analyzing historical events in a documentary; Examining the development of scientific theories in research papers; Understanding the interaction of characters in a non-fiction biography; Interpreting the progression of ideas in a political speech

#### Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to look at a text and see how different ideas and events are connected. It's like putting together a puzzle to understand a story better.

## **Common Stumbling Blocks**

Sometimes, kids think all ideas in a text are equally important, but some are more central. Also, they might not see how different parts of the text affect each other. We can help by using charts and organizers.

## Quiz Me

- What is the main idea?
- Can you tell me one important event?
- How do two events in the text connect?
- Who is an important person in the text?
- What happened first in the story?

## Help Me

This standard helps us understand how different ideas and events in a text work together. For example, in a history book, we can see how one event leads to another and how people make changes happen.