



Evaluating Author's Argument Structure

Today's Standard

11-12.RI.5 - Analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of the structure an author uses in his or her exposition or argument, including whether the structure makes points clear, convincing, and engaging.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Analyzing news articles for clarity and persuasion; Evaluating the effectiveness of speeches; Critiquing essays and research papers; Assessing the structure of historical documents; Reviewing scientific journal articles for argumentative clarity

Today I Learned

Today, we learned about how to look at the way a writer puts their work together to make sure it's clear and interesting.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Some kids might think any writing that looks organized is good, but that's not always true. Also, they might not realize that why the writer is writing and who they're writing for can change how good the writing is.

Quiz Me

- What is text structure?
- Why is it important for writing to be clear?
- What makes writing convincing?
- Why should we think about the writer's purpose?
- How can we tell if writing is engaging?

Help Me

When we look at how a writer puts their work together, we can see if it's clear and interesting. This helps us understand the writing better and learn how to write well ourselves.