



Understanding Literary Devices in Texts

Today's Standard

11-12.RL.6 - Analyze a case in which grasping a point of view requires distinguishing what is directly stated in a text from what is really meant (e.g., satire, sarcasm, irony, or understatement).

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Analyzing political cartoons for satire; Interpreting sarcasm in social media posts; Identifying irony in classic literature; Understanding understatement in news articles

Today I Learned

Today, we learned about how to understand what authors really mean in stories, even when they don't say it directly. This helps us understand jokes, sarcasm, and hidden messages.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids might think that everything they read means exactly what it says. They also might not understand when an author is joking or being sarcastic.

Quiz Me

- What is sarcasm?
- Can you find a joke in this story?
- What does irony mean?
- Can you tell me about satire?
- What is an understatement?

Help Me

When reading stories or articles, sometimes the author doesn't say exactly what they mean. They might be joking, or saying the opposite of what they really mean. This helps us understand the deeper meaning and makes reading more fun.