



Crafting Effective Conclusions

Today's Standard

11-12.W.1e - Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing a persuasive essay for a school assignment.; Creating a compelling closing argument for a debate team.; Drafting a conclusion for a research paper.; Summarizing findings in a scientific report.; Writing the final paragraph of a college application essay.

Today I Learned

Today we learned about writing strong conclusions for essays. A conclusion helps wrap up the argument and leaves the reader with something to think about.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes students think a conclusion is just a summary or that it's not needed if the argument is strong. But a good conclusion does more than summarize; it also gives the reader a final thought.

Quiz Me

- What is a conclusion?
- Why do we need a conclusion?
- What should a conclusion include?
- Can a conclusion be just a summary?
- What can you add to a conclusion to make it strong?

Help Me

A conclusion is like the end of a story. It helps wrap up everything you've talked about and gives the reader something to think about. For example, if you write a paper about why recycling is important, your conclusion might remind people to recycle and explain how it helps the Earth.