

Narrative Techniques in Writing

Today's Standard

11-12.W.3b - Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, reflection, and multiple plot lines, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing short stories incorporating dialogue and pacing.; Creating character backstories with detailed descriptions.; Developing multiple plot lines in a novel or screenplay.; Using reflection in personal essays to enhance storytelling.

Today I Learned

Today, we learned about using special writing tools to make stories more interesting. These tools include talking between characters, describing things in detail, and thinking about what happens in the story.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids think using too many writing tools will make their stories confusing. They also might not know that thinking about the story can make it better. It's important to use these tools carefully.

Quiz Me

- What is dialogue?
- Why is pacing important?
- What does reflection mean in a story?
- Can you name a narrative technique?
- What happens when you use multiple plot lines?

Help Me

Using special writing tools can help make stories more fun and interesting. For example, when characters talk to each other, it helps us understand them better. Describing things in detail makes the story come alive. Thinking about what happens in the story can help us learn more about the characters and the lessons they learn.