



Using Articles and Demonstratives

Today's Standard

1.L.1h - Use determiners (e.g., articles, demonstratives).

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Identifying 'a' and 'an' in sentences; Using 'this' and 'that' to point out objects; Choosing 'these' or 'those' for multiple items; Creating sentences with 'the' to specify objects; Reading books and finding determiners; Describing objects in the classroom using determiners

Today I Learned

Today, we learned about using special words called determiners. These words, like 'a', 'an', 'the', 'this', 'that', 'these', and 'those', help us talk about things clearly.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Some kids might think 'a' and 'an' are the same. But 'a' is for words that start with a consonant sound, and 'an' is for words that start with a vowel sound. Kids might also mix up 'this' and 'that' with 'these' and 'those'. 'This' and 'that' are for one thing, while 'these' and 'those' are for more than one thing.

Quiz Me

- What word do we use before a word that starts with a vowel sound?
- How do we use 'this' in a sentence?
- Can you give an example of using 'that'?
- What's the difference between 'these' and 'those'?
- Can you make a sentence with 'the'?

Help Me

Determiners are words we use to talk about things clearly. For example, we use 'a' and 'an' before words to show if something is one item. We use 'this' and 'that' to point to things, and 'these' and 'those' for more than one thing. You can practice by looking around the house and using these words to talk about what you see.