

Parent Guide to the "

# **English Writing Conventions**

## Today's Standard

1.L.2 - Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

# Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing a simple story with correct punctuation.; Creating a greeting card with proper capitalization.; Spelling words correctly in a classroom activity.

#### Today I Learned

Today, we learned about how to use capital letters, punctuation marks, and spell words correctly in our writing.

## **Common Stumbling Blocks**

Some kids might think they only need to use capital letters at the start of a sentence, but they also need them for names and 'I'. Others might think punctuation marks don't matter, but they help make sentences clear.

#### Quiz Me

- When do we use a capital letter?
- What is a period used for?
- Can you name a proper noun?
- Why do we use question marks?
- How do we spell 'I'?

## Help Me

Using capital letters, punctuation, and correct spelling helps us write clearly. For example, we use capital letters at the start of sentences and for names. Punctuation marks like periods and question marks help show the end of a thought or a question.