

Understanding and Using Collective Nouns

Today's Standard

2.L.1a - Use collective nouns (e.g., group).

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Describing a group of animals (e.g., a flock of birds); Talking about a collection of objects (e.g., a bunch of grapes); Referring to groups of people (e.g., a team of players); Writing stories that include collective nouns; Classifying groups in science (e.g., a colony of ants); Using collective nouns in daily conversation

Today I Learned

Today we learned about collective nouns. A collective noun is a word that refers to a group, like 'a flock of birds' or 'a team of players.'

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes kids think that collective nouns are always plural, but they can be singular. They might also confuse collective nouns with plural nouns. Collective nouns refer to a group as one thing.

Quiz Me

- What is a collective noun?
- Can you give an example of a collective noun?
- Is 'a bunch of grapes' a collective noun?
- What does 'a team of players' refer to?
- Are collective nouns always plural?

Help Me

A collective noun is a word that refers to a group of things or people. For example, 'a bunch of grapes' or 'a team of players.' We use these words to talk about groups in a simple way.