



Writing Opinion Pieces

Today's Standard

2.W.1 - Write opinion pieces in which they introduce the topic or book they are writing about, state an opinion, supply reasons that support the opinion, use linking words (e.g., because, and, also) to connect opinion and reasons, and provide a concluding statement or section.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing a book review; Composing a letter to the principal; Creating a persuasive poster; Writing a blog post about a favorite hobby; Drafting a speech for a class presentation

Today I Learned

Today we learned how to write opinion pieces. This means we can tell what we think about a topic, give reasons why we think that, and finish with a strong ending.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes kids think they don't need to give reasons for their opinions, but reasons help explain why they think that way. Also, some kids might forget to write a conclusion, but conclusions are important to wrap up their writing.

Quiz Me

- What is an opinion?
- Why do you need reasons for your opinion?
- What are some words you can use to connect your opinion and reasons?
- Why is it important to have a conclusion?
- Can you tell me your opinion about your favorite book?

Help Me

When writing an opinion piece, think about something you like or don't like. Tell why you feel that way and use words like 'because' to explain your reasons. At the end, make sure to write a conclusion to sum up your thoughts. For example, you can write about why you like a certain game and give reasons like 'It's fun to play with friends' and 'It helps me learn new skills.'

