

Parent Guide to the Standards

# Purposeful Reading Skills

#### Today's Standard

3.RF.4a - Read grade-level text with purpose and understanding.

### Real-World Applications for this Standard

Reading a recipe to cook a meal; Following instructions to build a model; Reading a story and summarizing the main idea; Understanding directions on a map; Reading a letter from a pen pal

#### Today I Learned

Today, we learned about reading with a purpose and understanding. This means reading a text carefully to understand its meaning.

#### **Common Stumbling Blocks**

Sometimes, kids think reading fast is more important than understanding. They might also think that just knowing the words is enough. But it's really important to understand the whole message.

#### Quiz Me

- What is the main idea of the story?
- Can you tell me what happened first?
- What was your favorite part of the story?
- Why do you think the character did that?
- Can you tell me what the story is about in your own words?

## Help Me

When you read, think about what the text is trying to tell you. For example, if you read a recipe, you need to understand the steps to make the food. If you read a story, try to understand what the characters are doing and why. This will help you become a better reader.