



### Linking Words to Connect Opinions

#### Today's Standard

3.W.1c - Use linking words and phrases (e.g., because, therefore, since, for example) to connect opinion and reasons.

#### Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing a persuasive letter to a friend; Creating a story with clear reasons for character actions; Explaining a favorite book and reasons for liking it; Writing a classroom debate script; Constructing a paragraph about a favorite hobby

#### Today I Learned

Today, I learned how to use words like 'because' and 'therefore' to explain my opinions and reasons in my writing.

#### Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids might think they can use any word to connect their opinions and reasons, but they need to use specific words. Also, they might use these words without knowing what they mean, which can make their sentences confusing.

#### Quiz Me

- What is a linking word?
- Can you give me an example of a linking word?
- Why do we use linking words?
- What happens if we use the wrong linking word?
- Can you write a sentence using 'because'?

#### Help Me

Linking words help us explain why we think something. For example, 'I like ice cream because it is sweet.' Using these words makes our writing clear and helps others understand our reasons.