



Understanding Idioms and Proverbs

Today's Standard

4.L.5b - Recognize and explain the meaning of common idioms, adages, and proverbs.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Discussing the meaning of 'raining cats and dogs' when it's heavily raining.; Explaining 'the early bird catches the worm' to emphasize the importance of being early.; Understanding 'actions speak louder than words' to highlight the importance of actions over promises.; Interpreting 'a penny saved is a penny earned' in the context of saving money.

Today I Learned

Today, we learned about idioms and proverbs. Idioms are phrases that don't mean exactly what the words say, like 'it's raining cats and dogs'. Proverbs are short sayings that give advice, like 'a penny saved is a penny earned'.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes kids think idioms mean exactly what the words say. For example, they might think 'raining cats and dogs' means animals are falling from the sky. Another problem is mixing up sayings that sound similar, like 'a stitch in time saves nine' and 'a penny saved is a penny earned'.

Quiz Me

- What is an idiom?
- Can you give me an example of an idiom?
- What is a proverb?
- Can you tell me a proverb you learned?
- Why do we use idioms and proverbs?

Help Me

Idioms and proverbs are fun ways to make language interesting. For example, if you say 'break the ice', it means to start a conversation. These sayings help us understand and share ideas in a fun way.

