

Parent Guide to the Standards

Vocabulary Acquisition and Usage

Today's Standard

4.L.6 - Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal precise actions, emotions, or states of being (e.g., quizzed, whined, stammered) and that are basic to a particular topic (e.g., wildlife, conservation, and endangered when discussing animal preservation).

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Using precise language in writing assignments.; Understanding vocabulary in reading comprehension.; Applying new words in oral presentations.; Describing emotions and actions accurately in narratives.

Today I Learned

Today, we learned about using new words correctly. This helps us understand what we read and say what we mean clearly.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes kids think they only need new words for English class, but they need them for all subjects. Also, using big words isn't always better; it's more important to use the right word for the situation.

Quiz Me

- What is a new word you learned today?
- Can you use that word in a sentence?
- What does the word 'quizzed' mean?
- Why is it important to use the right word?
- Can you tell me a domain-specific word?

Help Me

Learning new words helps us in many ways. We can understand our books better and explain our ideas more clearly. For example, if you learn the word 'conservation,' you can talk about saving animals and the environment more easily.