

Author's Reasons and Evidence

Today's Standard

4.RI.8 - Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Analyzing news articles for supporting evidence; Evaluating arguments in opinion pieces; Identifying evidence in scientific reports; Discussing evidence in historical texts

Today I Learned

Today, we learned about how authors use reasons and evidence to support their points in a text. This helps us understand and believe what we read.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids might think every sentence is a reason or evidence, or that reasons and evidence are always easy to find. But they need to learn to look carefully and think about what they read.

Quiz Me

- What is a reason?
- What is evidence?
- Why do authors use reasons?
- Why do authors use evidence?
- Can all statements be reasons or evidence?

Help Me

Authors use reasons and evidence to make their points stronger. For example, in a news article, the author might use facts and data to show why something happened. This helps us trust and understand the information better.