

Parent Guide to the Standards

Comprehending Grade 4-5 Literature

Today's Standard

4.RL.10 - By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poetry, in the grades 4–5 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Reading and discussing a variety of books; Analyzing characters and plot in stories; Comparing themes in different poems; Performing scenes from dramas; Writing book reports

Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to read and understand different kinds of books, like stories, plays, and poems. We talked about how to figure out what the book is about, even if we don't know every word.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids think they need to know every word to understand a book. They might also think poems are too hard to read. We can help by using clues from the story and starting with simple poems.

Quiz Me

- What is a story?
- Can you name a book you like?
- What is a poem?
- How can you understand a word you don't know?
- What did we learn about today?

Help Me

We learned how to read different kinds of books, like stories and poems. For example, when reading a story, we can talk about the characters and what they do. When reading a poem, we can think about the feelings and ideas it shares.