

Supporting Reasons with Facts

Today's Standard

4.W.1b - Provide reasons that are supported by facts and details.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing a persuasive essay about a favorite book; Creating a poster to convince others to recycle; Developing a speech to support a class project; Writing a letter to the principal about school lunch improvements

Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to support reasons with facts and details. This means that when we make a statement, we need to back it up with true information.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes kids think any opinion can be a reason, but reasons need facts. Another mistake is repeating the same reason in different words. We need different facts to support our reasons.

Quiz Me

- What is a reason?
- What is a fact?
- Why do we need facts in our writing?
- Can any opinion be a reason?
- Give an example of a reason with a fact.

Help Me

When you write, you need to support your reasons with facts. For example, if you're saying recycling is good, you can use facts like 'Recycling helps reduce trash in landfills.' This makes your writing stronger and more convincing.