



Transitional Words and Phrases

Today's Standard

4.W.3c - Use a variety of transitional words and phrases to manage the sequence of events.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing a story with clear sequence; Describing a process step-by-step; Creating a timeline of events; Explaining a recipe or instructions; Writing a historical recount

Today I Learned

Today, I learned about using special words to connect events in my writing. These words help my stories make sense and flow smoothly.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids think they only need to use these special words at the beginning of sentences, but they can use them all over. Also, using the same word too much can make writing boring. It's better to use different words.

Quiz Me

- What are transitional words?
- Why do we use transitional words?
- Can we use the same transitional word over and over?
- Where can we use transitional words in a sentence?
- Can you give me an example of a transitional word?

Help Me

Transitional words help us tell stories that make sense. We use them to show what happens first, next, and last. For example, when you tell how to make a sandwich, you might say 'first, you get the bread,' 'next, you put on the peanut butter,' and 'finally, you add the jelly.'