



Understanding Idioms and Proverbs

Today's Standard

5.L.5b - Recognize and explain the meaning of common idioms, adages, and proverbs.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Identifying idioms in books or movies; Explaining the meaning of common proverbs in daily conversations; Creating a personal dictionary of idioms and their meanings; Using idioms and proverbs in creative writing assignments

Today I Learned

Today, we learned about idioms and proverbs. Idioms are phrases that mean something different than the words say. Proverbs are short sayings that give advice or share wisdom.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids think idioms mean exactly what the words say. For example, 'raining cats and dogs' doesn't mean animals are falling from the sky. Also, kids might mix up idioms with other figurative language like metaphors or similes.

Quiz Me

- What is an idiom?
- Can you give me an example of an idiom?
- What is a proverb?
- Can you tell me a proverb you know?
- Why do we use idioms and proverbs?

Help Me

Idioms and proverbs are used in everyday language. For example, 'break the ice' means to start a conversation in a friendly way. Understanding these helps us talk and write better.