



### Using Parentheses in Expressions

#### Today's Standard

5.OA.A1 - Use parentheses, brackets, or braces in numerical expressions, and evaluate expressions with these symbols.

#### Real-World Applications for this Standard

Calculating the total cost of items with tax; Determining the order of operations in a recipe; Planning a budget with grouped expenses; Solving complex equations in science experiments; Organizing data in a spreadsheet

#### Today I Learned

Today, we learned about using parentheses, brackets, and braces in math expressions. These symbols help us solve problems in the right order.

#### Common Stumbling Blocks

Some kids think these symbols can be used the same way, but they can't. Others might ignore them and solve problems from left to right, which is wrong.

#### Quiz Me

- What do parentheses look like?
- What do brackets look like?
- What do braces look like?
- Why do we use these symbols in math?
- What happens if we ignore these symbols?

#### Help Me

We use parentheses, brackets, and braces to group numbers and operations in math problems. This helps us solve problems correctly, like when we calculate the total cost of items with tax or plan a budget.