

Parent Guide to the

# **Comprehending Informational Texts**

## Today's Standard

5.RI.10 - By the end of the year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, at the high end of the grades 4–5 text complexity band independently and proficiently.

# Real-World Applications for this Standard

Reading historical documents; Understanding scientific articles; Interpreting technical manuals; Analyzing social studies texts

#### Today I Learned

Today, I learned how to read and understand different kinds of informational texts, like history and science articles.

# **Common Stumbling Blocks**

Sometimes kids think they need to know every word to understand a text. They also might think they just need to remember facts. But really, it's about understanding the main idea and thinking about how it relates to the real world.

## Quiz Me

- What is the main idea of a text?
- How can you figure out a word you don't know?
- Why is it important to understand key details?
- Can you give an example of an informational text?
- How can you use what you read in real life?

# Help Me

Reading informational texts helps us understand important things about the world. For example, if you read a science article, you can learn how plants grow. This helps you understand the world better.