

Parent Guide to the "

# **Effective Conclusions in Writing**

#### Today's Standard

6-8.WHST.1e - Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.

## Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing a persuasive essay; Concluding a research paper; Summarizing findings in a science report; Drafting a conclusion for a history project; Creating a final statement in a debate

## Today I Learned

Today, we learned about writing strong conclusions. A conclusion is the last part of an essay that sums up the main points and supports the argument.

## **Common Stumbling Blocks**

Sometimes, kids think a conclusion is just a summary. But it should also give a final thought. Another mistake is not linking the conclusion to the main argument. It needs to connect to make sense.

#### Quiz Me

- What is a conclusion?
- Why is a conclusion important?
- Should a conclusion just be a summary?
- What should a conclusion connect to?
- How can you make your conclusion better?

#### Help Me

A conclusion is important in writing because it wraps up your main points and supports your argument. Think of it like the end of a story or a final thought in a conversation. For example, when you finish telling a story about your day, you might end with why it was a good or bad day. In writing, your conclusion should do something similar by summarizing your points and showing why they matter.