# Evaluating and Synthesizing Information

## Today's Standard

6-8.WHST.8 - Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

## Real-World Applications for this Standard

Researching for a history project using both books and online articles.; Creating a science report by gathering data from multiple scientific journals.; Writing a technical essay using credible sources and properly citing them.

## Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to find information from books and the internet, check if it's true, and use it in our own work without copying.

## Common Stumbling Blocks

Some kids think everything they find online is true, but that's not always right. Others think changing a few words is enough to make it their own, but they need to use their own words.

## Quiz Me

- What is a source?

- Why do we need to check if information is true?

- What does it mean to paraphrase?

- Why do we need to give credit to authors?

- How can we find good information online?

## Help Me

When we find infromative, we need to make sure it's true and not just copy it. For example, if you're writing about animals, you can look at books and websites. Make sure the information is from a good source, like a zoo or a scientist. Then, write what you learned in your own words and say where you found it.