

## Central Idea and Summary

### Today's Standard

6.RI.2 - Determine a central idea of a text and how it is conveyed through particular details; provide a summary of the text distinct from personal opinions or judgments.

### Real-World Applications for this Standard

Analyzing news articles to identify the main idea; Summarizing historical documents; Extracting key points from scientific reports; Identifying the central theme in informational books; Summarizing educational videos

### Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to find the main idea of a text and how to summarize it. This means we can understand the big message and tell others about it without adding our own thoughts.

### Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids might think small details are the main idea, or they might add their own opinions when summarizing. We need to help them focus on the big message and keep their summaries objective.

### Quiz Me

- What is the main idea?
- How do details help the main idea?
- What is a summary?
- Should you add your own thoughts in a summary?
- Why is summarizing important?

### Help Me

Finding the main idea and summarizing is like telling a friend what a book is about without giving your own opinion. It's important because it helps us understand and remember what we read.