



Author's Purpose and Point of View

Today's Standard

6.RI.6 - Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text and explain how it is conveyed in the text.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Analyzing news articles to determine bias; Understanding persuasive techniques in advertisements; Evaluating the purpose of speeches; Interpreting viewpoints in historical documents

Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to find out what the author thinks or why they wrote something. This helps us understand the text better.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids think the author always tells us directly what they think. But often, we have to figure it out from the words they use. Also, kids might mix up why the author wrote something with what the main message is.

Quiz Me

- What is the author's point of view?
- Why did the author write this text?
- What clues help us understand the author's point of view?
- What is the main idea of the text?
- How is the author's purpose different from the main idea?

Help Me

When we read, we can think about why the author wrote the text. Did they want to inform us, persuade us, or entertain us? This helps us understand the text better, like figuring out why a commercial wants us to buy something.