

Parent Guide to the Standards

# Clarifying Relationships in Writing

## Today's Standard

6.W.1c - Use words, phrases, and clauses to clarify the relationships among claim(s) and reasons.

## Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing persuasive essays; Creating clear arguments in debates; Developing coherent explanations in reports; Enhancing clarity in creative writing; Improving logical flow in presentations

#### Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to use special words and phrases to make our writing clearer. These words help us show how our ideas are connected.

## **Common Stumbling Blocks**

Sometimes, kids think just listing reasons is enough, but they need to connect them. Also, using too many big words can make writing hard to understand.

### Quiz Me

- What is a claim?
- What is a reason?
- Why do we use words like 'because'?
- Can you give an example of a connecting word?
- Why is it important to connect our ideas?

## Help Me

When we write, we use words like 'because' and 'therefore' to show how our ideas fit together. This helps others understand what we are saying more easily. For example, in a debate, using these words can make our arguments stronger.