

Parent Guide to the

# Formal Writing Style

# Today's Standard

6.W.2e - Establish and maintain a formal style.

# Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing a formal letter to a government official.; Composing an essay for a school assignment.; Creating a resume or cover letter for a job application.; Drafting a speech for a school event.; Writing a report on a historical event.

## Today | Learned

Today, we learned about writing in a formal style. This means using clear and precise language that is appropriate for the audience.

## **Common Stumbling Blocks**

Some students think formal writing is just using big words. Others think it can't include personal voice. Both are not true. Formal writing is clear and precise, and it can still be engaging.

#### Quiz Me

- What is formal writing?
- Why is it important to be clear in writing?
- Can formal writing include your personal voice?
- Give an example of formal writing.
- Why should you think about your audience when writing?

#### Help Me

Formal writing is used in school and work. It means writing clearly and using the right words for your audience. You might use it when writing a letter to a teacher or making a report.