

# Precise and Concise Language Use

# Today's Standard

7.L.3a - Choose language that expresses ideas precisely and concisely, recognizing and eliminating wordiness and redundancy.\*

# Real-World Applications for this Standard

Editing essays to remove unnecessary words; Writing clear and concise instructions; Summarizing articles or stories; Creating effective advertising slogans; Improving communication in speeches or presentations

#### Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to choose words that make our writing clear and to the point. We practiced finding and removing extra words that don't add any meaning.

# **Common Stumbling Blocks**

Sometimes, kids think using more words makes their writing sound smarter, but it can actually make it confusing. Another common problem is saying the same thing twice without realizing it.

#### Quiz Me

- What does it mean to write concisely?
- Why is it important to avoid extra words?
- Can you find a sentence with too many words?
- How can you make this sentence shorter?
- Why should we avoid saying the same thing twice?

# Help Me

When we write, it's important to use just enough words to say what we mean. This makes it easier for others to understand us. For example, instead of saying 'The big, large dog,' we can just say 'The big dog.'