

Parent Guide to the Standards

Formal Writing Style

Today's Standard

7.W.1d - Establish and maintain a formal style.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing a business letter; Crafting a formal email; Creating a research paper; Drafting a speech; Writing a resume; Composing a cover letter

Today I Learned

Today, we learned about writing in a formal way. This means writing clearly and respectfully, like when you write a letter to your teacher.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids think they need to use big, fancy words to write formally, but that's not true. They also might think they can't show their own voice, but they can.

Quiz Me

- What is formal writing?
- Why is it important to write formally?
- Do you need to use big words in formal writing?
- Can you still show your voice in formal writing?
- Give an example of when you might use formal writing.

Help Me

Formal writing is important because it helps you communicate clearly and respectfully. You might use it when writing a letter to your teacher or a report for school. Remember, you don't need big words to write formally, just clear and precise ones. And you can still show your own voice by choosing your words carefully.