



Organizing Ideas in Writing

Today's Standard

7.W.2a - Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information, using strategies such as definition, classification, comparison/contrast, and cause/effect; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing research papers with clear introductions and structured information.; Creating informative blog posts that use headings and multimedia for clarity.; Developing presentations that use charts and tables to explain concepts.

Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to start a topic clearly and organize ideas using different methods, like comparing things or showing causes and effects.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Kids might think they only need to organize ideas for long essays, but it's important for all writing. They might also think pictures and charts aren't important, but these help make things clearer.

Quiz Me

- What is the first thing you should do when writing about a topic?
- Name one way to organize your ideas when writing.
- Why are headings and charts useful in writing?
- What is one common mistake people make about organizing ideas?
- How can pictures help your writing?

Help Me

When writing, it's important to start with a clear topic and organize your ideas so others can understand them. Using pictures and charts can help explain your ideas better.