



Developing Topics with Details

Today's Standard

7.W.2b - Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing a research paper with cited sources; Creating a detailed report on a historical event; Developing a persuasive essay with supporting evidence; Writing a biography using quotes and factual details; Constructing a scientific report with definitions and examples

Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to make our writing better by using important facts, definitions, details, and quotes to explain our topic.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes kids think that adding lots of information is always good, even if it doesn't fit. Another mistake is thinking that just using quotes is enough. But we need to explain why the quotes are important too.

Quiz Me

- What is a fact?
- Why do we use quotes in writing?
- What is a detail?
- What does 'relevant' mean?
- Why is it important to explain our quotes?

Help Me

When you write, think about telling a story. Use facts and details to make your story clear and interesting. For example, if you're writing about your favorite animal, you can use facts about where it lives and what it eats. Quotes from experts can also help, but make sure to explain why they are important.