

# **English Writing Conventions**

## Today's Standard

8.L.2 - Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

#### Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing formal emails; Creating school reports; Composing essays; Drafting cover letters; Writing social media posts; Editing peer work; Writing personal narratives; Creating professional documents

#### Today I Learned

Today, we learned about the rules for capitalization, punctuation, and spelling in writing. These rules help us write clearly and correctly.

## **Common Stumbling Blocks**

Some kids think that capitalization rules are the same everywhere, but they change depending on what you're writing. Others might think punctuation is only needed at the end of sentences, but it's important inside sentences too.

## Quiz Me

- What do we capitalize at the start of a sentence?
- Where do we put a period?
- What is a comma used for?
- How do we spell 'friend'?
- What do we capitalize in a title?

## Help Me

When we write, we need to use capitalization, punctuation, and spelling correctly. This helps people understand what we mean. For example, when writing a letter, we need to start sentences with a capital letter and use periods and commas to make our writing clear.