

## Ellipsis Usage for Omission

### Today's Standard

8.L.2b - Use an ellipsis to indicate an omission.

### Real-World Applications for this Standard

Using ellipses in creative writing to show a character's trailing thoughts.; Applying ellipses in academic writing to shorten quotes while maintaining the original meaning.; Utilizing ellipses in journalism to condense lengthy statements or interviews.; Incorporating ellipses in social media posts to fit character limits while conveying key points.

### Today I Learned

Today, we learned about ellipses. An ellipsis is three dots (...) that show when some words are left out.

### Common Stumbling Blocks

Some kids think they can use ellipses anywhere in a sentence, but that's not true. They also might think an ellipsis is more than three dots, but it should always be three dots.

### Quiz Me

- What is an ellipsis?
- How many dots are in an ellipsis?
- When should you use an ellipsis?
- Can you use ellipses anywhere in a sentence?
- Why are ellipses important?

### Help Me

Ellipses are three dots (...) used to show that some words are left out. You can use them to make sentences shorter or to show when someone is thinking. For example, if you want to say, 'I like apples, oranges, and bananas,' but make it shorter, you can say, 'I like apples, oranges...'