

Parent Guide to the "

Analyzing Adaptations

Today's Standard

8.RL.7 - Analyze the extent to which a filmed or live production of a story or drama stays faithful to or departs from the text or script, evaluating the choices made by the director or actors.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Comparing a novel to its movie adaptation; Evaluating a stage performance of a play; Discussing the director's choices in a film adaptation; Analyzing differences between a book and its TV series; Reviewing a live theater performance

Today | Learned

Today we learned how to compare a book with its movie or play version and see how they are the same or different.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes kids think movies should be exactly like the book, but movies need to change some things to fit. They might also think any change is bad, but changes can make the story better for watching.

Quiz Me

- What is an adaptation?
- Why do movies change things from the book?
- Can changes in movies be good?
- What should you look for when comparing a book and a movie?
- Why is it important to think about the director's choices?

Help Me

When you watch a movie based on a book, think about why the movie might change some parts. For example, a book can describe a lot of details, but a movie has to show them. Sometimes changes help make the story more exciting or easier to understand on screen.