

Parent Guide to the Standards

Effective Oral Presentations

Today's Standard

8.SL.4 - Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Classroom debates; Science fair presentations; Book reports; Group project presentations; Community event speeches

Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to give a good speech. We talked about making eye contact, speaking clearly, and using good reasons to support what we say.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids think that being loud is more important than speaking clearly. They might also think they should only look at one person when they talk. Instead, they should speak clearly and look at different people.

Quiz Me

- What should you do with your eyes when you talk?
- Is it better to be loud or clear?
- Why do you need good reasons when you talk?
- How can you make your voice clear?
- Who should you look at when you talk?

Help Me

When you talk to people, make sure to look at different people, not just one. Speak clearly so everyone can understand you. Use good reasons to explain what you mean. This helps people understand and believe what you say.