

Parent Guide to the Standards

Formal Writing Style

Today's Standard

8.W.1d - Establish and maintain a formal style.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing a research paper; Composing a formal letter; Crafting an argumentative essay; Creating a business email; Developing a speech for a formal occasion

Today I Learned

Today, I learned how to write in a formal style. This means using clear and precise language to communicate my ideas respectfully.

Common Stumbling Blocks

One common mistake is thinking formal writing has to be very complicated. Another mistake is thinking you can't show your own voice in formal writing.

Quiz Me

- What is formal writing?
- Why do we need to write formally?
- Can you use slang in formal writing?
- Do you need to use big words in formal writing?
- Can you still show your personality in formal writing?

Help Me

Formal writing is like writing a letter to someone important. You use clear words and make sure your ideas are easy to understand. For example, when writing a letter to your teacher or a report for school, you use formal writing.