

Parent Guide to the Standards

# Organizing and Presenting Information

## Today's Standard

8.W.2a - Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

#### Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing research papers with clear structure; Creating informative presentations with multimedia; Designing brochures with organized sections

#### Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to write clearly and organize information. We also learned how to use pictures and videos to help people understand what we are saying.

## **Common Stumbling Blocks**

Sometimes, kids think they need to give too much information at the start, which can confuse the reader. They might also think that pictures and videos are not important, but they help a lot!

## Quiz Me

- What should you do at the start of your writing?
- How can you organize your ideas?
- Why are pictures and videos useful?
- What happens if you give too much information at once?
- How can you make your writing easier to understand?

## Help Me

When you write, start by telling what you will talk about. Use headings and pictures to make it clear. For example, if you are writing about animals, you can use pictures of them and headings like 'Mammals' and 'Birds'. This helps people understand better.