



## Effective Topic Development

### Today's Standard

8.W.2b - Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.

### Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing a research paper; Creating a persuasive essay; Developing a report; Crafting a narrative with detailed descriptions; Supporting arguments in debates

### Today I Learned

We learned how to make our writing stronger by using facts, details, and quotes that really help explain our topic.

### Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids think that just listing facts is enough, but they need to be organized. Also, using too many quotes can make it hard to hear the student's own ideas.

### Quiz Me

- What is a fact?
- Why are details important?
- What is a quote?
- How do quotes help in writing?
- Why should we not use too many quotes?

### Help Me

When writing, it's important to use facts and details to explain your ideas. For example, when writing about a science project, use facts from your experiment and details about what you observed.