

Language Precision in Explanatory Writing

Today's Standard

8.W.2d - Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing a science report using accurate terminology; Creating a historical essay with era-specific vocabulary; Drafting a technical manual for a device; Composing a detailed recipe with culinary terms; Generating a business proposal with industry jargon

Today I Learned

Today, we learned about using precise language and special words for different subjects to explain things clearly.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids think using big words makes writing better, but it's more important to be clear. Also, they might think special words are only for certain subjects, but every subject has its own special words.

Quiz Me

- What does precise language mean?
- Why do we use special words for different subjects?
- Can you give an example of a special word in science?
- What happens if we use too many big words?
- Why is it important to be clear when we write?

Help Me

Using precise language means using the exact words to say what we mean. Special words for different subjects help us explain things better. For example, in science, we use the word 'photosynthesis' to talk about how plants make food. Being clear in our writing helps others understand us easily.