

Parent Guide to the "

Narrative Writing Structure

Today's Standard

8.W.3a - Engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and point of view and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally and logically.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing personal narratives; Creating short stories; Developing scripts for plays or films; Writing historical fiction essays; Blogging about personal experiences; Crafting speeches with a storytelling element

Today I Learned

Today, I learned how to write a story that makes sense and keeps the reader interested by setting up the scene, introducing characters, and making sure the events happen in a logical order.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids might think that stories don't need to follow a clear order, but this can make them hard to follow. Another mistake is not thinking about who is telling the story, which can change how the reader understands it.

Quiz Me

- What is a narrator?
- Why is it important to have a clear order of events?
- What does 'point of view' mean?
- Can you name a character from your favorite story?
- Why do we need to set up the scene in a story?

Help Me

When writing a story, think about what happens first, next, and last. Imagine you are telling the story to a friend. Make sure they can understand who is in the story, where it is happening, and why things are happening in a certain order.