

Narrative Techniques in Writing

Today's Standard

8.W.3b - Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, description, and reflection, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing short stories or personal narratives; Creating character backstories for role-playing games; Developing scripts for school plays or video projects; Writing reflective essays or journals; Crafting compelling blog posts or social media stories

Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to use different techniques to make stories more interesting. These techniques include talking between characters, describing what happens, and thinking about what it all means.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids think that making a story interesting is only about having characters talk to each other. But it's also important to describe what happens and think about the events. Also, these techniques can be used in real stories, not just made-up ones.

Quiz Me

- What is dialogue?
- How can you make a story go faster or slower?
- What does it mean to describe something in a story?
- Why is it important to think about what happens in a story?
- Can you use these techniques in real stories?

Help Me

To make stories more interesting, you can have characters talk to each other, describe what happens in detail, and think about the events. For example, when writing about a fun day at the park, you can describe the games you played, talk about what your friends said, and think about why it was a great day.