

Parent Guide to the Standards

Research and Inquiry Skills

Today's Standard

8.W.7 - Conduct short research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question), drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple avenues of exploration.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Creating a research report on a historical event.; Investigating a scientific phenomenon and presenting findings.; Exploring a social issue and proposing solutions.; Analyzing literature and generating thematic questions.; Conducting a survey and interpreting the results.

Today I Learned

Today we learned how to do small research projects to answer questions. We use many sources and ask more questions to learn more.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes kids think all sources are good, but some are better than others. Also, using just one source isn't enough to learn everything.

Quiz Me

- What is a research project?
- Why do we use many sources?
- How do we know if a source is good?
- What can we learn from research?
- Can one source tell us everything?

Help Me

When we do research, we look for answers to questions using many sources. This helps us learn more and understand better. For example, if you're curious about animals, you might read books, watch videos, and ask experts to get a full picture.