



Effective Information Gathering

Today's Standard

8.W.8 - Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Researching for a school project using both books and online articles.; Evaluating the credibility of news sources for a current events assignment.; Writing a research paper and citing sources correctly to avoid plagiarism.; Creating a presentation that includes paraphrased information from various sources.

Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to gather information from books and the internet. We also learned how to check if the information is true and how to give credit to the original author.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids think that everything on the internet is true. It's not! They also might think they don't need to say where they got their ideas if they change the words. But they do!

Quiz Me

- What should you check to know if a website is good?
- Why do you need to say where you got your information?
- What is it called when you use someone else's words as your own?
- What is a citation?
- Why is it important to use good search words?

Help Me

When you find information for a project, you need to make sure it's true. Check who wrote it and when it was written. Always say where you got your information, even if you change the words. This helps you do a good job and shows respect for the original author.

