



### Understanding Figurative Language and Nuances

#### Today's Standard

9-10.L.5 - Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.

#### Real-World Applications for this Standard

Analyzing metaphors and similes in poetry and prose; Interpreting idiomatic expressions in everyday conversations; Examining word choices in political speeches to understand underlying messages; Understanding and using puns in creative writing; Exploring the connotations of words in advertising

#### Today I Learned

Today, we learned about figurative language. This means using words in a fun and creative way, like saying 'it's raining cats and dogs' instead of 'it's raining a lot.'

#### Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids think figurative language means exactly what it says, like believing it's really raining cats and dogs. Another tricky part is thinking that these fun phrases always mean the same thing, but they can change depending on how they're used.

#### Quiz Me

- What is figurative language?
- Can you give me an example of figurative language?
- Why do we use figurative language?
- What does 'it's raining cats and dogs' mean?
- Can the meaning of figurative language change?

#### Help Me

Figurative language helps us make our words more interesting and fun. For example, if you say someone is 'as busy as a bee,' you're using figurative language to show they are very busy. This makes our talking and writing more colorful and exciting!

