



Word Meaning and Tone Analysis

Today's Standard

9-10.RI.4 - Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the cumulative impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone (e.g., how the language of a court opinion differs from that of a newspaper).

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Analyzing language in legal documents versus news articles; Understanding technical jargon in scientific texts; Interpreting figurative language in political speeches; Examining connotative meanings in advertisements

Today I Learned

Today, I learned how to figure out what words mean in a text and how they make the text sound. This helps me understand the text better.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids think words only have one meaning. But words can mean different things in different sentences. Also, kids might think the way a text sounds is always told directly, but it's often shown by the words used.

Quiz Me

- What is a word's connotation?
- Can a word mean different things?
- What is tone?
- How can words change how a text feels?
- What is a metaphor?

Help Me

Understanding what words mean and how they make a text sound helps us read better. For example, knowing that 'bark' can mean the sound a dog makes or the outside of a tree helps us know what the text is talking about. This is important in real life, like when reading a newspaper or a science article.

