

# Formal Style and Objective Tone

### Today's Standard

9-10.WHST.1d - Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing.

#### Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing a research paper in history; Drafting a lab report in science; Creating a technical manual for a new device; Composing a business email; Developing a policy document

#### Today I Learned

Today, we learned about writing in a formal way and using an objective tone. This means writing clearly and without personal feelings.

## **Common Stumbling Blocks**

Some students think that formal writing means using big, complicated words. Others think that being objective means not sharing any opinions. Both of these ideas are not correct.

#### Quiz Me

- What does it mean to write formally?
- What is an objective tone?
- Why is it important to write clearly?
- Can you give an example of formal writing?
- What should you avoid in formal writing?

## Help Me

When we write formally, we use clear and precise words. This helps others understand us better. For example, when writing a report for school or a letter to a company, we need to be clear and not show our personal feelings.