

Parent Guide to the Standards

# Research Projects and Inquiry

## Today's Standard

9-10.WHST.7 - Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question) or solve a problem; narrow or broaden the inquiry when appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.

#### Real-World Applications for this Standard

Creating a research paper on a historical event; Developing a science fair project; Conducting a technical analysis for a school project; Investigating a community issue and proposing solutions; Synthesizing information from multiple sources for a class presentation

#### Today I Learned

Today, we learned about how to do research projects to answer questions or solve problems. We also learned how to find good sources and use more than one source for our research.

## **Common Stumbling Blocks**

Sometimes, kids think all sources are good or that one source is enough. It's important to check if a source is reliable and to use many sources to get a full understanding.

#### Quiz Me

- What is a research project?
- Why do we need to use more than one source?
- How can we tell if a source is good?
- What should we do if we find different information in different sources?
- Why is it important to ask questions in our research?

# Help Me

A research project is like a big puzzle. We look for pieces of information from different places to answer a question or solve a problem. By using many sources, we make sure our answer is correct and complete, just like making sure all puzzle pieces fit.