

Parent Guide to the Standards

Effective Writing Techniques

Today's Standard

9-10.W.4 - Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1-3 above.)

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Writing a persuasive essay; Drafting a business email; Creating a narrative story; Developing a research paper; Composing a speech

Today I Learned

Today, I learned about writing clearly and making sure it fits the task, purpose, and audience. This means writing in a way that makes sense and is good for who will read it.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids think all writing should look the same, but different tasks need different styles. Also, they might think using big words is the only way to write well, but being clear and making sense is more important.

Quiz Me

- What is clear writing?
- Why do we write differently for different people?
- What is one thing that makes writing good?
- What should you think about before you start writing?
- Can you give an example of a writing task?

Help Me

Writing clearly and in a way that makes sense is important. For example, when writing a story, you need to make sure it is interesting and easy to follow. When writing a letter, you need to be polite and clear about what you want to say. Different tasks need different styles of writing.