

Identifying Authors and Illustrators

Today's Standard

K.RI.6 - Name the author and illustrator of a text and define the role of each in presenting the ideas or information in a text.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Reading picture books and identifying the author and illustrator; Creating a class book with assigned roles of author and illustrator; Discussing how pictures and words work together in a book; Visiting a library and exploring author and illustrator sections

Today I Learned

Today we learned about the author and illustrator of a book. The author writes the words, and the illustrator draws the pictures. Both are important to tell the story!

Common Stumbling Blocks

Some kids think the author and illustrator are always the same person, but that's not true. Another common mistake is thinking the illustrator only draws pictures without helping tell the story. Illustrations add important details!

Quiz Me

- Who writes the words in a book?
- Who draws the pictures in a book?
- Can the author and illustrator be different people?
- What do pictures add to a story?
- Why are both the author and illustrator important?

Help Me

The author and illustrator work together to make a book. The author writes the story, and the illustrator draws the pictures. Pictures help us understand the story better by showing us what things look like. For example, in a book about animals, the pictures show us what the animals look like and what they are doing.