



Understanding Unknown Words

Today's Standard

K.RL.4 - Ask and answer questions about unknown words in a text.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Identifying new words in a storybook and asking what they mean.; Discussing the meaning of new words encountered in a classroom read-aloud.; Using context clues to infer the meaning of unfamiliar words during a group reading activity.; Asking a teacher or parent for the meaning of a new word found in a picture book.

Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to ask and answer questions about words we don't know in a story. This helps us understand the story better and learn new words.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes, kids might think they should know every word in a story. It's okay not to know every word! Another problem is guessing a word's meaning without looking at the other words or pictures. Using the whole story helps us understand better.

Quiz Me

- What should you do if you see a word you don't know?
- Can you guess a word's meaning by looking at the pictures?
- Is it okay to ask questions about words you don't know?
- What can help you understand a new word?
- Why is it good to learn new words?

Help Me

When you find a word you don't know in a story, you can ask what it means. Look at the other words and pictures around it to help you guess. Learning new words helps you understand stories better and makes reading more fun!