

# 6-8<sup>th</sup> Literacy in History/Social Studies & Science & Technical Subjects Standards

## Strand: Reading History/Social Studies

	BOXED SUB HEADINGS	STANDARDS	IDENTIFIERS
	Key Ideas & Details	1. <b>Cite</b> specific textual evidence to <b>support</b> analysis of primary and secondary sources.	RH.6-8.1
		2. <b>Determine</b> the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; <b>provide</b> an accurate summary of the source distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.	RH.6-8.2
		3. <b>Identify</b> key steps in a texts' description of a process related to history/social studies (e.g., how a bill becomes law, how interest rates are raised or lowered).	RH.6-8.3
	Craft & Structure	4. <b>Determine</b> the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including vocabulary specific to domains related to history/social studies.	RH.6-8.4
		5. <b>Describe</b> how a text presents information (e.g., sequentially comparatively, causally).	RH.6-8.5
		6. <b>Identify</b> aspects of a text that reveal an author's point of view or purpose (e.g., loaded language, inclusion, or avoidance of particular facts).	RH.6-8.6
	Integration of Knowledge & Ideas	7. <b>Integrate</b> visual information (e.g., charts, graphs, photographs, videos, or maps) with other information in print and digital texts.	RH.6-8.7
		8. <b>Distinguish</b> among fact, opinion, and reasoned judgment in a text.	RH.6-8.8
		9. <b>Analyze</b> the relationship between a primary and secondary source on the same topic.	RH.6-8.9
	Range of Reading & Level of Text Complexity	10. By the end of grade 8, <b>read and comprehend</b> history/social studies and science texts in the grades 6-8 text complexity band independently and proficiently.	RH.6-8.10

## Strand: Reading Science/Technical Subjects

	Key Ideas & Details	1. <b>Cite</b> specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts.	RST.6-8.1
		2. <b>Determine</b> the central ideas or conclusions of a text; <b>provide</b> an accurate summary of the text distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.	RST.6-8.2
		3. <b>Follow</b> precisely a multi-step procedure when <b>carrying out</b> experiments, <b>taking</b> measurements, or <b>performing</b> technical tasks.	RST.6-8.3
	Craft & Structure	4. <b>Determine</b> the meaning of symbols, key terms, and other domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 6-8 texts and topics.	RST.6-8.4

		5. <b>Analyze</b> the structure an author uses to organize a text, including how the major sections contribute to the whole and to an understanding of the topic.	RST.6-8.5
		6. <b>Analyze</b> the author’s purpose in <b>providing</b> an explanation, <b>describing</b> a procedure, or <b>discussing</b> an experiment in a text.	RST.6-8.6
Integration of Knowledge and Ideas		7. <b>Integrate</b> qualitative or technical information expressed in words in a text with a version of that information expressed visually (e.g., in a flowchart, diagram, model, graph, or table).	RST.6-8.7
		8. <b>Distinguish</b> among facts, reasoned judgment based on research findings, and speculation in a text.	RST.6-8.8
		9. <b>Compare and contrast</b> the information gained from experiments, simulations, video, or multimedia sources with that gained from <b>reading</b> a text on the same topic.	RST.6-8.9
Range of Reading & Level of Text Complexity		10. By the end of grade 8, <b>read and comprehend</b> science/technical texts in grades 6-8 text complexity and independently and proficiently.	RI.6-8.10

**Strand: Writing**  
**History/Social Studies, Science, & Technical Subjects**

Text Types & Purposes	1. <b>Write</b> arguments focused on discipline-focused content. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <b>Introduce</b> precise knowledgeable claim(s) establish the significance of the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and <b>create</b> an organization that establishes clear relationships among claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.</li> <li>b. <b>Support</b> claim(s) about a topic or issue, <b>acknowledge and distinguish</b> the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and <b>organize</b> the reasons and evidence logically.</li> <li>c. <b>Use</b> words, phrases, and clauses to <b>create</b> cohesion and <b>clarify</b> the relationships among claims(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.</li> <li>d. <b>Establish and maintain</b> a formal style.</li> <li>e. <b>Provide</b> a concluding statement or section that <b>follows from and supports</b> the argument presented.</li> </ul>	W.6-8.1a-e
	2. <b>Write</b> informative/explanatory texts including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <b>Introduce</b> a topic clearly, <b>previewing</b> what is to follow; <b>organize</b> ideas, concepts and information into broader categories as appropriate to achieving purposes; <b>include</b> formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., charts, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.</li> <li>b. <b>Develop</b> the topic with relevant, well-chosen, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.</li> <li>c. <b>Use</b> appropriate and varied transitions to <b>create</b> cohesion and <b>clarify</b> the relationships among ideas and concepts.</li> <li>d. <b>Use</b> precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to <b>inform</b> about or explain the topic.</li> <li>e. <b>Establish and maintain</b> a formal style and objective tone.</li> </ul>	W.6-8.2a-f

		<b>f. Provide</b> a concluding statement or section that <b>follows from and supports</b> the information or explanation presented.	
		<b>3.</b> N/A as a separate requirement.	W.6-8.3
Production & Distribution of Writing		<b>4. Produce</b> clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.	W.6-8.4
		<b>5.</b> With some guidance and support from peers and adults, <b>develop and strengthen</b> writing as needed by <b>planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying</b> a new approach, <b>focusing</b> on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.	W.6-8.5
		<b>6. Use</b> technology, <b>including</b> the internet, to produce, <b>publish</b> writing and <b>present</b> the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.	W.6-8.6
Research to Build & Present Knowledge		<b>7. Conduct</b> short research projects to <b>answer</b> a question (including a self-generated question), <b>generating</b> additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple avenues or exploration.	W.6-8.7
		<b>8. Gather</b> relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources; <b>using</b> search terms effectively; <b>assess</b> the credibility and accuracy of each source; and <b>quote or paraphrase</b> the data and conclusions of others while <b>avoiding</b> plagiarism and <b>following</b> a standard format for citation.	W.6-8.8
		<b>9. Draw</b> evidence from literacy or informational texts to <b>support</b> analysis, reflection, and research.	W.6-8.9a-b
Range of Writing		<b>10. Write</b> routinely over extended time frames (time for reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.	W.6-8.10