Reading History/Social Studies and Science Standards for Grades 6-8

HISTORY/SOCIAL STUDIES	SCIENCE & TECHNICAL SUBJECTS
KEY IDEAS AND DETAILS	KEY IDEAS AND DETAILS
1. Cite specific textual evidence to support	1. Cite specific textual evidence to support
analysis of primary and secondary sources.	analysis of science and technical texts.
2. Determine the central ideas or information of	2. Determine the central ideas or conclusions of
a primary or secondary source; provide an	a text; provide an accurate summary of the
accurate summary of the source distinct from	text distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.
prior knowledge or opinions. 3. Identify key steps in a text's description of a	3. Follow precisely a multistep procedure when
process related to history/social studies (e.g.,	carrying out experiments, taking
how a bill becomes law, how interest rates are	measurements, or performing technical tasks.
raised or lowered).	
CRAFT AND STRUCTURE	CRAFT AND STRUCTURE
4. Determine the meaning of words and phrases	4. Determine the meaning of symbols, key
as they are used in a text, including	terms, and other domain-specific words and
vocabulary specific to domains related to	phrases as they are used in a specific
history/social studies.	scientific or technical context relevant to
5. Describe how a text presents information	<i>grades 6–8 texts and topics.</i> 5. Analyze the structure an author uses to
(e.g., sequentially, comparatively, causally).	organize a text, including how the major
(e.g., sequentially, comparatively, causally).	sections contribute to the whole and to an
	understanding of the topic.
6. Identify aspects of a text that reveal an	6. Analyze the author's purpose in providing an
author's point of view or purpose (e.g., loaded	explanation, describing a procedure, or
language, inclusion or avoidance of particular	discussing an experiment in a text.
INTEGRATION OF KNOWLEDGE AND IDEAS	INTEGRATION OF KNOWLEDGE AND IDEAS
Integrate visual information (e.g., in charts, graphs, photographs, videos, or maps) with	Integrate quantitative or technical information expressed in words in a text with a version of
other information in print and digital texts.	that information expressed visually (e.g., in a
	flowchart, diagram, model, graph, or table).
8. Distinguish among fact, opinion, and	8. Distinguish among facts, reasoned judgment
reasoned judgment in a text.	based on research findings, and speculation in
	a text.
9. Analyze the relationship between a primary	9. Compare and contrast the information gained
and secondary source on the same topic.	from experiments, simulations, video, or
	multimedia sources with that gained from
	reading a text on the same topic.
RANGE AND LEVEL OF TEXT COMPLEXITY	RANGE AND LEVEL OF TEXT COMPLEXITY
 By the end of grade 8, read and comprehend history/social studies texts in the grades 6–8 	 By the end of grade 8, read and comprehend science/technical texts in the
text complexity band independently and	grades 6–8 text complexity band
proficiently.	independently and proficiently.
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