Connect History to Literacy to Learn More.
Think clearly and comprehensively.

Use the Cross-Cutting Concepts of History to frame the focus questions:
change  causes and effects  challenge  choice  context
continuity  identity  relationships  values.

Analyze the Situation.

✓ What is the context of the history?
   > What challenges do people face?
   > What values are important to the society?

✓ What event is central to this history?
   > What caused the event?
   > How do different persons respond to it?
   > What immediate effects does the event have?
   > What consequences will the event have?

✓ What choices do individuals make?
   > What values do those choices represent?
   > How do their choices affect other persons?

✓ What changes take place during the history?
   > How do those changes affect different individuals?

✓ What ideas does this history represent?
   > What concepts clarify the history?
   > How do these ideas apply today?

Analyze readers’ and writers’ choices.
Responding to the questions applies literacy competencies:
✓  analyze ideas
✓  analyze relationships;
✓  integrate ideas and information from different sources
✓  evaluate perspectives

How does identity affect the explanation of history?
   > How does a history text reflect the perspective of the writer?
   > How do a reader’s values influence what is learned?