Focus → Think Clearly ✓ Make Progress



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?