# READING LIKE A HISTORIAN



## Moctezuma and Cortes (7.7.3)

## Background:

When seeking answers to historical questions, historians read primary and secondary sources. Often, these sources present conflicting interpretations of an event because of the perspective of the person who wrote the source.

### Prompt:

Explain why Moctezuma welcomed Cortes into the Aztec capital.

#### Task:

In a well thought out response:

- Write a thesis in response to the prompt.
- Use the prompt as a sentence stem.
- Write an explanation of your thesis based on conclusions reached from reading the documents.