STANFORD HISTORY EDUCATION GROUP READING LIKE A HISTORIAN



Athenian Democracy		
Central Historical Question: Was ancient Athens truly democratic?		
California State 6.4.2 Trace the transit		nsition from tyranny and oligarchy to early democratic forms of
Standard	government and ba	ck to dictatorship in ancient Greece, including the significance of
		idea of citizenship (e.g., from Pericles' Funeral Oration).
Common Core State Standard(s):		
Reading		Writing
1. Cite specific textual evidence to support		1. Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content.
analysis of primary and secondary sources.		a) Introduce claims about a topic or issue, acknowledge and distinguish the
2. Determine the central ideas of information of		claims from alternate or opposing claims, and organize the reasons and
a primary or secondary source; provide an		evidence logically.
accurate summary of the source distinct from		b) Support claims with logical reasoning and relevant, accurate data and evidence
prior knowledge or opinions.		that demonstrate and understanding of the topic or text, using credible sources.
4. Determine the meaning of words and		c) Use words, phrases, and clauses to create cohesion and clarify the
phrases as they are used in a text, including		relationships among claims, counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.
vocabulary specific to domains related to history/social studies.		 d) Establish and maintain a formal style. e) Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the
6. Identify aspects of a text that reveal an		argument presented.
author's point of view or purpose.		4. Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and
7. Integrate visual information with other		style are appropriate to task, purpose and audience.
information in print and digital texts.		7. Conduct short research projects to answer a question, drawing on several
8. Distinguish among fact, opinion, and		sources and generating additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple
reasoned judgment in a text.		avenues of exploration.
10. By the end of grade 8, read and		8. Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources (primary and
comprehend history/social studies texts in the		secondary), using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of
grades 6-8 text complexity band independently		each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while
and proficiently.		avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.
		9. Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis reflection and res <i>earch</i> .
		<i>10.</i> Write routinely over extended time frames and short time frames for a range of
		discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.