



## Critical Analysis of Historical Texts

### Today's Standard

11-12.RH.8 - Evaluate an author's premises, claims, and evidence by corroborating or challenging them with other information.

Cues	Notes
What is the standard?	Standard: Evaluate an author's premises, claims, and evidence by corroborating or challenging them with other information.
Why is evaluating sources important?	Importance: Helps develop critical thinking and analytical skills necessary for understanding complex texts.
How to determine source credibility?	Determining Credibility: Look at the author's background, publication's reputation, and quality of evidence.
What are common misconceptions?	Common Misconceptions: All sources are credible; challenging claims means dismissing them.
How to challenge claims effectively?	Effective Challenging: Engage critically by questioning and corroborating information, not just rejecting it.

### Summary

The standard teaches students to critically evaluate an author's arguments by corroborating or challenging them with other information. This skill is essential for developing critical thinking and understanding complex texts. Key points include determining source credibility and addressing common misconceptions.