

Cornell Motes

Author's Reasons

Today's Standard

1.RI.8 - Identify the reasons an author gives to support points in a text.

Cues	Notes
What is the main point?	Main point: The central idea or argument of the text.
What reasons does the author give?	Supporting reasons: Specific points that back up the main idea.
How can we identify supporting reasons?	Identify reasons: Look for statements that directly support the main point.
	Supporting detail: Information that explains or illustrates a reason.
What is a supporting detail?	Non-example: Personal opinions or unrelated facts that do not support the main point.
What is a non-example of a supporting reason?	the main point.

Summary

Understanding how to identify the reasons an author gives to support points in a text helps students develop critical thinking and comprehension skills.