



Historical Vocabulary Comprehension

Today's Standard

6-8.RH.4 - Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including vocabulary specific to domains related to history/social studies.

Cues	Notes
What is domain-specific vocabulary?	Domain-specific vocabulary refers to words and phrases that are specific to a particular field or area of study.
How do context clues help in understanding historical texts?	Context clues are hints within the text that help readers figure out the meaning of unfamiliar words.
Why is it important to understand historical vocabulary?	Understanding historical vocabulary is crucial for accurately interpreting historical events and documents.
Give an example of a word that has changed meaning over time.	An example is the word 'awful,' which used to mean 'full of awe' but now means 'very bad.'
How can understanding vocabulary improve comprehension?	Knowing the meaning of key terms helps readers fully grasp the content and significance of the text.

Summary

Understanding domain-specific vocabulary and using context clues are essential skills for interpreting historical texts. These skills help students grasp the full meaning and significance of historical events and documents.