

Cornell Motes

Comprehending Literary Nonfiction

Today's Standard

9-10.RI.10 - By the end of grade 9, read and comprehend literary nonfiction in the grades 9-10 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range. By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at the high end of the grades 9-10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.

Cues	Notes
What is literary nonfiction?	Literary nonfiction includes essays, speeches, biographies, and other factual texts.
How to identify author's purpose?	Author's purpose can be to inform, persuade, entertain, or explain.
What is text complexity?	Text complexity involves vocabulary, sentence structure, and conceptual depth.
Why is scaffolding important?	Scaffolding helps all readers engage with complex texts by providing
How to evaluate text bias?	support.
	Evaluating bias involves looking at the author's background, purpose, and the evidence provided.

Summary

Understanding literary nonfiction involves recognizing the author's purpose, evaluating text complexity, and using scaffolding techniques to comprehend complex texts. Critical analysis of texts includes identifying biases and perspectives.