

# **Textual Evidence in History**

### Today's Standard

6-8.RH.1 - Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources.

## Real-World Applications for this Standard

Analyzing historical documents; Supporting arguments in essays; Understanding historical context; Evaluating sources for reliability; Comparing different perspectives

### Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to use specific parts of a text to support our ideas about history. This helps us understand and explain what happened in the past.

### **Common Stumbling Blocks**

Some kids think they can use any part of a text as evidence, even if it doesn't really help their idea. Others think just copying the text is enough, without explaining it.

#### Quiz Me

- What is evidence?
- Why do we need to use evidence?
- What is a primary source?
- What is a secondary source?
- How does evidence help our ideas?

### Help Me

Using evidence from texts helps us understand history better. For example, if we read a diary from someone who lived long ago, we can use parts of their story to explain what life was like back then. This makes our ideas stronger and more believable.