Iowa Core Literacy Standards in History/Social Studies: 6th-8th Grades						
Reading						
Key Ideas and Details	Craft and Structure	Integration of Knowledge and Ideas	Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity			
RH.6-8.1. Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources. RH.68.2. Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary of the source distinct from prior knowledge or opinions. RH.6-8.3. Identify key steps in a text's description of a process related to history/social studies (e.g., how a bill becomes law, how interest rates are raised or lowered).	RH.6-8.4. Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including vocabulary specific to domains related to history/social studies. RH.6-8.5. Describe how a text presents information (e.g., sequentially, comparatively, causally). RH.6-8.6. Identify aspects of a text that reveal an author's point of view or purpose (e.g., loaded language, inclusion or avoidance of particular facts).	RH.68.7. Integrate visual information (e.g., in charts, graphs, photographs, videos, or maps) with other information in print and digital texts.  RH.6-8.8. Distinguish among fact, opinion, and reasoned judgment in a text.  RH.6-8.9. Analyze the relationship between a primary and secondary source on the same topic.	RH.68.10. By the end of grade 8, read and comprehend history/social studies texts in the grades 6–8 text complexity band independently and proficiently.			

Writing						
Text Types and Purposes	Production and Distribution of Writing	Research to Build and Present Knowledge	Range of Writing			
wh.6-8.1. Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content.  Introduce claim(s) about a topic or issue, acknowledge and distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and organize the reasons and evidence logically.  Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant, accurate data and evidence that demonstrate an understanding of the topic or text, using credible sources.  Use words, phrases, and clauses to create cohesion and clarify the relationships among claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.  Establish and maintain a formal style.  Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the argument presented.  WH.6-8.2. Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/ experiments, or technical processes.  Introduce a topic clearly, previewing what is to follow;	WH.6-8.4. Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. WH.6-8.5. With some guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on how well purpose and audience have been addressed. WH.6-8.6. Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.	wh.6-8.7. Conduct short research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question), drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple avenues of exploration.  Wh.6-8.8. Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.  Wh.6-8.9. Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.	WH.6-8.10. Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.			

organize ideas, concepts, and		
information into broader		
categories as appropriate to		
achieving purpose; include		
formatting (e.g., headings),		
graphics (e.g., charts, tables),		
and multimedia when useful to		
aiding comprehension.		
<ul> <li>Develop the topic with</li> </ul>		
relevant, well-chosen facts,		
definitions, concrete details,		
quotations, or other		
information and examples.		
○ Use appropriate and varied		
transitions to create cohesion		
and clarify the relationships		
among ideas and concepts.		
Use precise language and		
domain-specific vocabulary to		
inform shout or explain the		
inform about or explain the		
topic.		
○ Establish and maintain a		
formal style and objective		
tone.		
<ul> <li>○ Provide a concluding</li> </ul>		
statement or section that		
follows from and supports the		
information or explanation		
presented.		
WH.6-8.3. (Not applicable in		
History/Social Studies)		
Thistory/Social Studies)		
		1