

8th Grade Social Studies Journal

Expectations and Reminders

Write Routinely (Journal Completeness)

Standard: NJSL.S.W.8.10

8th Grade Social Studies Writers

- ✓ Copy the date and prompt
- ✓ Work the entire time without speaking to other learners
- ✓ Write approximately 1 full page
- ✓ Update their Table of Contents

Produce Clear and Coherent Writing

Standard: NJSL.S.W.4

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- ✓ Begin by restating the prompt
- ✓ Write neatly and carefully
- ✓ Use only complete sentences
- ✓ Utilize proper punctuation

Develop Arguments with Valid Reasons and Relevant Evidence

Standard: NJSL.S.W.1

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- ✓ Support arguments with examples and evidence from:
 - ▲ Current Events
 - ▲ 6th - 8th Grade Social Studies
 - ▲ Literature, Film, or Art
- ✓ Use their Social Studies Notes
- ✓ Strive for substance

Utilize Strong Social Studies Vocabulary

Standard: NJSL.S.W.7.2.D

8th Grade Social Studies Writers

- ✓ Write in a "Scholarly Tone" and use formal language
- ✓ Incorporate Vocabulary from 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade
- ✓ Use their Vocabulary Charts

Strengthen Writing through Revision

Standard: NJSL.S.W.5

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- ✓ Submit their Journal Revision on-time via Google Classroom
- ✓ Improve upon their original entry by adding new details
- ✓ Include the prompt and dates