ELA/Soc St Examples	Webb's Depth of Knowledge Levels				
Bloom's Taxonomy	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	
	Recall & Reproduction	Skills & Concepts	Strategic Thinking/Reasoning	Extended Thinking	
Knowledge Define, duplicate, label, list, memorize, name, order, recognize, relate, recall, reproduce, state	 List/generate ideas for writing or research Recall, recognize, or locate basic facts, ideas, principles, concepts Identify/describe key figures, places, or events in a particular context 				
Comprehension Classify, describe, discuss, explain, express, identify, indicate, locate, recognize, report, restate, review, select, translate	 Write a simple sentence Select appropriate word(s) to use in context when meaning is evident Identify or describe characters, setting, plot, problem, solution Describe or explain: who, what, where, when 	 Determine or recognize main idea/generalizations Take and organize notes around common ideas/topics Summarize ideas/events Make basis inferences or logical predications from text Explain relationships/cause-effect 	 Write full composition using varied sentence types & structures to meet purposes Explain, generalize, or connect ideas using supporting evidence Make inferences about theme or author's purpose 	 Write full composition demonstrating synthesis & analysis of complex ideas Compare multiple works by same author, across time periods, genres, etc. 	
Application Apply, choose, demonstrate, dramatize employ, illustrate, interpret, practice, schedule, sketch, solve, use, write	 Apply spelling, grammar, punctuation, conventions rules in writing Use structures (pre/suffix) or relationships (synonym) to determine word meaning Use resources to edit/revise 	 Write paragraph using a basic structure or template Edit final draft for mechanics and conventions Use context clues to determine meaning Use text features to find information 	 Edit final draft for meaning/progression of ideas Apply a concept in other/new contexts Support ideas with examples, citations, details, elaboration, quotations, text references 	 Define and illustrate common social, historical, economic, or geographical themes and how they interrelate 	
Analysis Analyze, appraise, calculate, categorize, compare, criticize, discriminate, distinguish, examine, experiment	 Identify specific information contained in maps, charts, tables, graphs, or diagrams 	 Analyze a paragraph for simple organizational structure Determine fiction/nonfiction; fact/opinion Describe purpose of text features Identify use of literary devices 	 Analyze an essay Compare information within or across text passages Analyze interrelationships among text elements, situations, events, or ideas Analyze use of literary devices 	 Analyze multiple works by the same author, across time periods, genres Analyze complex/abstract themes 	
Synthesis Rearrange, assemble, collect, compose, create, design, develop, formulate, manage, organize, plan, propose, set up, write	 Brainstorm ideas, concepts, or perspectives related to a topic 		 Synthesize information within one source or text Develop a model for a complex situation 	 Synthesize information across multiple sources or texts Given a situation/problem, research, define, and describe the situation/problem and provide alternative solutions 	

Evaluation		Cite evidence and c	develop a	Gather, analyze, & evaluate	
Appraise, argue, assess,		logical argument for	r concepts	information to draw conclusions	
choose, compare, defend,		 Make & support get 	neralizations,	 Evaluate relevancy, accuracy, 	
estimate, judge, predict, rate,		using text evidence	•	completeness of information from	
select, support, value				multiple sources	
Source: Hess, K. K. (2006). Cognitive complexity: Applying Webb DOK levels to Bloom's taxonomy. Dover, NH: National Center for Assessment.					