**Focus CC English Standards for Comstock**

**Reading Standard 1**

Grade 7: *Cite several pieces of textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.*

Grade 8: *Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.*

**Reading standard 10:**

Grade 7: *By the end of the year, read and comprehend literary nonfiction in the grades 6–8 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.*

Grade 8: *By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, at the high end of grades 6–8 text complexity band independently and proficiently.*

**Speaking and Listening Standard 1**

Grade 7: *Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 7 topics, texts, and issues, building on others’ ideas and expressing their own clearly.*

Grade 8: *Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others’ ideas and expressing their own clearly.*

**Writing Standard 1**

Grade 7: *Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.*

Grade 8: *Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence*

**Language Standard 6**

Grade 7: *Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.*

Grade 8: *Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase important to comprehension or expression.*