**[CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RI.1.8](http://www.corestandards.org/ELA-Literacy/RI/1/8/) Identify the reasons an author gives to support points in a text.  Ask:  How do we know that \_\_\_\_ is true?  What did the author tell us about \_\_\_\_\_?**

**Essential Skills and Concepts:**

* **Know how to link people and their ideas**
* **Know that an author writes to share what he/she thinks**
* **Know that authors use details to help make a point**
* **Understand that authors try to explain their thinking**
* **Know that an author may have more than one reason to explain his thinking**

**Question Stems and Prompts:**

* **What does the writer think about this problem?**
* **Why do you think the author wrote that?**
* **Were there any reasons why you think the author…?**
* **What in the writing made you think that?**
* **What were the reasons the author wrote this piece?**
* **How and where did the author support his reasoning?**
* **What important points does the author make?**
* **What words did the author use to tell us \_\_\_?**
* **What is a possible solution to. . .?**

**Academic Vocabulary Spanish Cognates**

* **reasons razones •**
* **author autor**
* **explain explicar**
* **tells**
* **writing**
* **text texto**
* **support**
* **points**