

RACES Strategy

A survivor's guide to constructed responses

R	<p>Restate the prompt/question and turn the prompt/question into a sentence starter.</p>
A	<p>Answer/Address ALL parts of the prompt. Together, the R and A will create a claim statement/topic sentence.</p>
C	<p>Cite <u>multiple relevant pieces</u> of evidence directly from the text to support your claim. Evidence looks like:</p> <p>Relevant direct quotes, brief summaries, and paraphrases (author's words/ideas written in your own words.) Be sure that evidence is significant to the answer.</p> <p>In the text... According to the text... The author states... On page____, the author states... An example of_____is...</p>
E	<p>Explain the evidence to demonstrate a deep understanding. It should effectively connect with your answer, which proves your point.</p> <p>Remember: Your written response should include <u>more</u> written analysis than evidence to support your claim.</p>
S	<p>Summarize the purpose of the paragraph.</p>