

# Response Writing with RACES

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## Restate the Question

- Read the question or prompt.
- Underline key words.
- Rewrite the question as a statement.

A

## Answer the Question

- Answer the question. If there is more than one part to the question, make sure to answer ALL parts.

C

## Cite Evidence

- Use evidence to support your answer.
- Quote from the text.

E

## Explain and Elaborate

- Explain your answer.
- Elaborate and make your answer longer.

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## Sum it Up

- Conclude your answer.
- Link it to your topic sentence, but use different words.





# RACES Cheat Sheet



## Cite Evidence



Try these sentence starters:

- \*According to the text...
- \*The author states...
- \*The article states...
- \*For example...
- \*On page \_\_\_\_ it says...
- \*The text says...
- \*According to the author...
- \*From the reading I know...
- \*In paragraph \_\_\_ it says...
- \*The author writes...

## Explain & Elaborate

### YOUR ANSWER

Try these sentence starters:

- \*This shows...
- \*This proves...
- \*This makes me think...
- \*This explains...
- \*It means...

## Sum it Up

Try these sentence starters:

- \*Therefore...
- \*In conclusion...
- \*That's why...
- \*All in all...
- \*In summary...
- \*For these reasons...

