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Paper-based Applied Reading & Writing Lesson

QUESTION AND BACKGROUND KNOWLEDGE

Write down the CERCA question and what you already know about the topic.

1. CONNECT

Respond to the personal connection prompt using your personal experiences to explain your thinking.



2. READ

Read the text and answer the multiple choice questions using evidence from the text:



1. -----

2. -----

3. -----

4. -----

5. -----

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3. ENGAGE WITH THE TEXT

As you analyze the text, you will be gathering evidence that will help you develop a response to the key question. Select evidence according to the instructions online and write it next to the appropriate color.



Aqua:

Pink:

4. SUMMARIZE

Summarize the selection in a few sentences. The sentence frames can help you.



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5. BUILD YOUR ARGUMENT

Your claim should clearly respond — based on what you learned from the reading — to the question posted.

Do not begin your claim with "I think" or "I believe." Readers will know these are your thoughts and beliefs, since you are the author.



CLAIM: Write an opinion or position in response to the question.



REASON: Provide reasons why you believe your claim.



Provide **EVIDENCE** from the text to support your claim.



REASONING: Explain how your evidence connects back to your claim.



COUNTERARGUMENT: Include at least one good reason why others might disagree with your claim or provide a different point of view.

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6. CREATE YOUR CERCA



Remember to use audience-appropriate language when writing for your final CERCA.

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