

Writing an Analysis of Your Evidence

Background: You've been working on properly incorporating evidence into your essay. It's time to dig beneath the surface of the quote and spend time analyzing its significance.

Task: For each piece of evidence, write an analysis of the quote by consider its importance and considering its word choice. Use the spaces below to draft out strong analysis. First, write down the evidence you chose for each part of the essay prompt. Then, draft out your in-depth analysis of the quote. *Revise your original analysis to make it clear.*

Purpose: Analysis is used to connect the evidence of your essay to the main points you're trying to make.

Strong Analysis has two components:

<p style="text-align: center;">Analysis Part 1 (BOX 1) Close read the quote.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Analysis Part 2 (BOX 2) Make inferences about the significance of the quote.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain the author's word choice-define important terms • Explain the author's use of figurative language. • Explain the author's tone (the feeling his words create). • Explain what repetition is emphasizing. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What can you infer about how this quote answers the prompt? (TIE BACK TO HOW THIS ANSWERS THE ESSAY QUESTION)
<p>Sentence Starters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>The use of the word (or phrase) _____ suggests...</i> ○ <i>The use of the word (or phrase) _____ connotes...</i> ○ <i>In _____'s (author's name) metaphor/simile, the _____ is compared to _____ suggesting...</i> ○ <i>_____ 's (Author/character name) repetition emphasizes...</i> 	<p>Sentence Starters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>This is significant because...</i> ○ <i>This speaks to _____ (the part of the key questions it's answering) because...</i> ○ <i>From this detail readers can conclude that...</i> <p>What to avoid: <i>This connects to the key question because...</i></p>