About the RACE writing strategy...

When I first started teaching the RACE strategy for constructed response, I was blown away by how much my students' writing improved. Often times they had the correct answer, but the way in which they were constructing the answer cost them precious points on tests and benchmarks. RACE is an acronym for Restate, Answer, Cite, and Explain. It is easy to remember and students pick up on it very quickly. This bookmark reference is something students can keep with them to refer to as they practice the RACE strategy. In addition to the steps of RACE, I have included sentence frames for the two tricky parts: citing text evidence and explaining the connection between their answer and their evidence. I hope you find this resource helpful in your class!

Common Core Standards Met...

RI/RL 1: Cite evidence to support an analysis of the text

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RACE

Short Response Strategy

Restate the Question

Turn the question into a statement

Answer the Question

Answer all parts of the question

Cite your Evidence

Choose a quote that proves your answer is correct.

- The text states, "__."
- According to the author, "___."
- On page ___, it says, "__."

Explain your Answer

Explain, expand, or elaborate on your answer so you 'connect the dots' between your answer and the quote.

- This shows,
- Therefore the reader knows/infers,
- For example,
- To expand on this,
- Based on this fact,

>>> Thank you!

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