

Extended Response using CER+ER

Reminders for using CER to answer a short answer question is claim/answer, evidence and reasoning. For an extended response, you repeat the evidence and reasoning portion with additional information as needed. Typically, an ERQ will require TWO or THREE additional pieces of evidence with reasoning/explanation. Notice in the color-coded chart organizer below information about using CER for a short answer.

Claim: What is your answer to the question you are being asked?
Evidence: What quote from the text supports your answer? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tell where you found examples and details in the text. For example: "In the text it says..." "On page _____ it said..."
Reasoning: In your own words, How does the evidence you provided show your claim? This should be the longest part of your answer.
Conclusion: Finish with an explanation that allows the reader to clearly understand your claim to reinforce your answer. You want to reiterate the main points of your response without getting too repetitive, and if applicable, leave the reader with something to think about. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• "In conclusion,"• "Overall,"• Avoid saying: "This is my answer." "Thank you for reading."

Type your answer in the boxes below.

Claim:
Detail 1:
Reasoning:
Detail 2:

Reasoning:
Detail 3:
Reasoning:
Conclusion:

Scoring Rubric3

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Analyzing the text. (answer, evidence, and reasoning)	Amazing!! I have thoroughly answered the question with the correct answer,two to three pieces of text evidence and reasoning.	Awesome! I have answered the question with the correct answer, text evidence, and reasoning.	Almost there. I answered the question correctly, but my text evidence, or reasoning may not support my answer.	A work in progress. I did not answer the question correctly.
Strong Words (precise language and vocabulary)	Amazing!! I have used strong, descriptive words and phrases about my topic. My reader is going to understand my topic.	Awesome! I have used descriptive words and phrases about my topic, and my reader can still understand my topic.	Almost there. I used some language and domain-specific vocabulary, but probably not enough.	A work in progress. I used simple or imprecise language throughout my response.
Making it easy for my reader (grammar)	Amazing!! I have a few minor usage, spelling, capitalization and punctuation errors. My reader can easily understand my response.	Awesome! I have some usage, spelling, capitalization and punctuation errors. My reader can still understand my response.	Almost there. My frequent errors in usage, spelling, capitalization and punctuation make my response difficult to read and understand.	A work in progress. My response is difficult to read and understand because I have many errors in usage, spelling, capitalization and punctuation.
Total				

