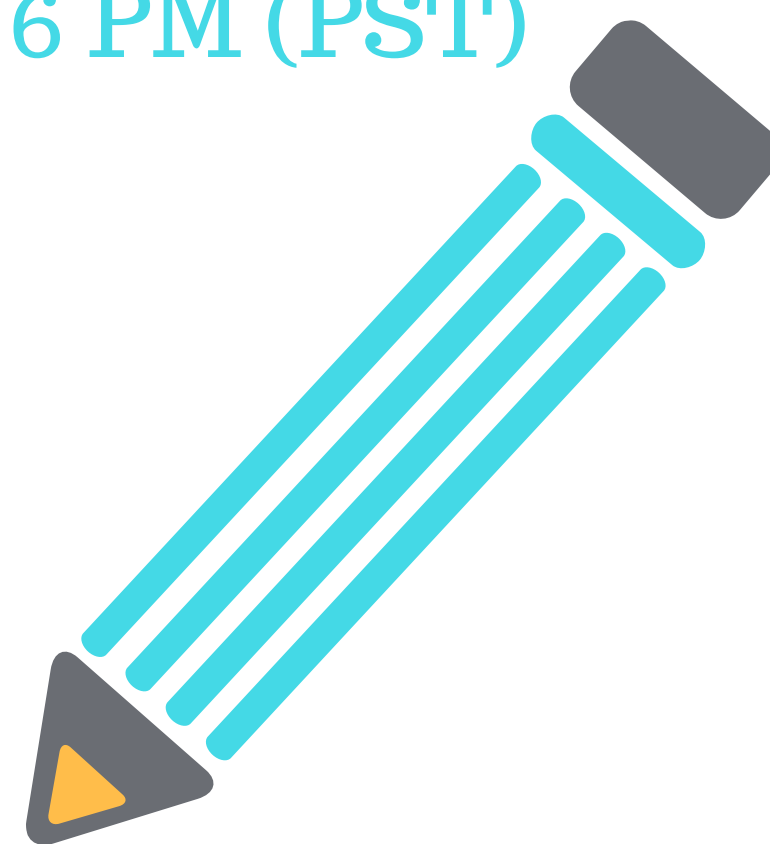


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Response One: INFORMATIVE ~ EXPLANATORY (GRADES 3-8)

What are the keywords to remember when teaching your child what this response is expecting from them?

GOAL ~ *Convey what you know CORRECTLY*

What are the THREE areas being evaluated and scored?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

What EVERY writer must include:

1. Main Idea(3-5) or Thesis (6-8)
2. Introduction and Conclusion
3. Strong Transition Words

TRUE or FALSE: All writers should cite evidence or quote one or more of the reading sources provided within the performance task?

TRUE

FALSE

Response Two: OPINION (3-5) OR ARGUMENTATIVE (6-8)

What are the two possible options when writing an opinion or argumentative essay? You must:

OR

GOAL ~ *Be FIRM, not wishy-washy.*

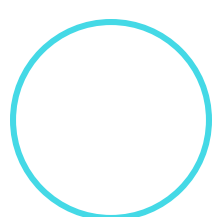
Avoid _____ and stick with the _____.

The difference between an OPINION essay and an ARGUMENTATIVE essay is:

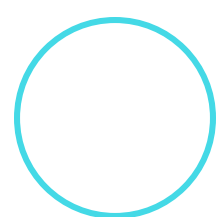
Which of these would be a strong OPPOSING ARGUMENT for a person supporting the opinion that, yes, children over ten should have a personal cell phone?

1. I think someone might disagree with me, but he would be wrong.
2. Maybe some parents do not trust their child enough, but every kid deserves a chance.
3. Parents will wonder if their young children are responsible enough to care for a cell phone, but giving children responsibilities is how they learn and grow.

TRUE or FALSE: All writers should cite evidence or quote one or more of the reading sources provided within the performance task?



TRUE



FALSE

Response Three: NARRATIVE (GRADES 3-8)

What must a high-scoring NARRATIVE include in the story?

1. An interesting _____.
2. A descriptive _____.
3. Well developed _____(s) with _____!!!
4. BME _____

GOAL ~ *Create a sensory descriptive, real or imagined story.*

Write a sensory descriptive sentence about a handful of popcorn you're holding.

TIP: Include at least ONE use of FIGURATIVE LANGUAGE to impress the judges.

SIMILE - The water was as cold as ice.

METAPHOR - Her hair was silk.

TRUE or FALSE: All writers should cite evidence or quote one or more of the reading sources provided within the performance task?

TRUE

FALSE