# **Practice: Providing Evidence (5P pgs 54-55)**

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### Step 1: Brainstorm & Research your topic

- Turn your topic sentence into a question
- Find answers to the question
- Note specific data or numbers
- Copy quotes down keep quotation marks

Topic Sentence	Research Question
Learning a second language benefits your brain.	Why is learning a second language good for the brain?
Evidence Brainstorm/Research	
Evidence/Analysis Sentences	

### Step 2: Write down research

- Don't use complete sentences unless it's a direct quote
- If it's a direct quote, be sure to put quotation marks around it

Topic Sentence	Research Question	
Learning a second language benefits your brain.	Why is learning a second language good for the brain?	
Evidence Brainstorm/Research		
"Young adults proficient in two languages performed better on attention tests and had better concentration than those who spoke only one language."		
Improves people's thinking skills and memory abilities		
Brains of those who know a second language are larger in MRIs than those who don't.		
Teaches focus skills		
Improved listening		
Evidence/Analysis Sentences		

### Step 3: Group & Eliminate

- Find information that is similar group together
- Eliminate data/quotes/information that isn't related to everything else

#### **Step 4: Write Sentences**

- Decide the order you want to share your information.
- Do NOT just drop a quote in -- always give context before and analysis after
- Be sure to rewrite your information so you don't plagiarize

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#### **Evidence Brainstorm/Research**

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#### **Evidence/Analysis Sentences**

A second language can actually improve how a person thinks and how well they remember things. "Young adults proficient in two languages performed better on attention tests and had better concentration than those who spoke only one language." (SOURCE) The process of learning a language forces someone to learn how to focus and can even make them a better listener.

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The research has been done for you.

Group information together and eliminate information that doesn't relate.

Write 2-4 Evidence/Analysis sentences. Remember to use your own words (don't plagiarize!).

Topic Sentence	Research Question
Smoking is bad for your health.	Why is smoking bad for your health?

#### **Evidence Brainstorm/Research**

Over 5000 chemicals in tobacco smoke - most cause cancer

Makes men and women less fertile

Secondhand smoke extra bad - babies & children

Causes emphysema, pneumonia, and bronchitis in lungs

Harms almost every organ in body

"Smoking causes 7 out of every 10 cases of lung cancer."

#### **Evidence/Analysis Sentences**

[TYPE YOUR SENTENCES]

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Now it's your turn.

Turn the topic sentence into a question and do some research.

Write down your research. Remember to not write complete sentences. If you want to keep a direct quote or data, put quotation marks around it. Find 5-7 pieces of information.

After you have your research, group similar information together and eliminate anything that doesn't relate.

Write 2-4 Evidence/Analysis sentences. Remember to use your own words (don't plagiarize!).

Topic Sentence	Research Question
Zoos help endangered animals.	[TYPE YOUR QUESTION]
Evidence Brainstorm/Research	
[TYPE YOUR RESEARCH]	
Evidence/Analysis Sentences	
[TYPE YOUR SENTENCES]	