

Criteria	1- Not Correct	2- Getting There	3- Almost	4- Got it!
<b>A</b> Address the question or the prompt	The question is not addressed. Begins with "Because," "So," or "That."  The topic sentence has nothing to do with the question.	There is an attempt to address the question but it's not clear.  The topic sentence is incorrect or does not show a clear understanding of how to respond.	The question is addressed partially.  The topic sentence is correct but incomplete.	The question is clearly addressed..  The question is addressed fully and correctly.
<b>C</b> Cite evidence/ pull quotes from text	There is no evidence or quotes; does not support the answer.	One quote or piece of evidence is present, but does not support the answer.	One or two quotes or pieces of evidence are provided that support the answer.	Two or more ideal quotes or pieces of evidence are provided that fully support the answer.
<b>E</b> Explain and elaborate your examples in detail (explain the quotes in your own words)	There is no explanation connecting the evidence or quotes to the answer.  No transition words are used.	There is an unsuccessful or unclear explanation connecting the evidence or quotes to the answer.  One transition word is used.	There is a basic explanation connecting the evidence or quotes to the answer.  Transition words are used.	There is a clear and complete explanation connecting the evidence or quotes to the answer.  Two or more transition words are used effectively.
<b>S</b> Sum it up	The concluding sentence simply repeats the first sentence.	The concluding sentence does not restate the answer using different language.	The concluding sentence restates the answer using mostly different language.	The concluding sentence restates the answer using different language
Capitalization O- organization P- punctuation S- spelling	Many errors exist in COPS- capitalization, organization, punctuation, & spelling.	No more than 5 errors exist in COPS- capitalization, organization, punctuation, & spelling.	No more than 2 errors exist in COPS- capitalization, organization, punctuation, & spelling.	No errors exist in COPS- Capitalization, organization, punctuation, & spelling.