







FUEL Writing Strategy

 FUEL = Focus • Understand • Evidence • Link

 Tip: Use one sentence from each part to build a strong paragraph

 F = Focus	 U = Understand	 E = Evidence	 L = Link
Restate the prompt and clearly answer it.  Your claim or main idea in one sentence.	Explain your reason in your own words. Break it down so the reader understands your thinking.	Support your answer with a quote or fact from the text. Use direct quotes or paraphrase clearly.	Connect the evidence back to your main point. Explain how the evidence proves your answer.
 Sentence Starters			
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• I believe...• ____ is important because...• One reason why ____ is...	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• This means...• In other words...• This helps us understand that...	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• According to the text...• The author states...• One example is...	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• This shows that...• This proves...• Because of this...