

TIQA Writing Strategy – Teacher Handout

Strategy Name: TIQA

- Type of Writing: Literary analysis, constructed responses, informational writing
 - Grade Level: 6-12
 - Stage of Writing: Drafting, revising
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Purpose

- Helps students write structured paragraphs with evidence and analysis.
 - Encourages deeper thinking and supports text-based writing.
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Step-by-Step Instructions

1. Topic Sentence – What is the main idea or claim of my paragraph?
 2. Introduce Evidence – Who or what is the source of the evidence?
 3. Quote or Paraphrase – What specific evidence supports my idea?
 4. Analyze – How does this evidence support my topic sentence?
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Tips for Implementation

- Model each step with color-coded examples.
 - Use sentence starters for students who need them.
 - Practice as a class, in groups, and independently with familiar texts.
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Example TIQA Paragraph

T: In Wonder, Auggie shows bravery by going to school for the first time.

I: At the beginning of the book, he is nervous about how people will react to his face.

Q: The author writes, “I know I’m not an ordinary ten-year-old kid.”

A: This shows that Auggie is aware of his differences but still chooses to face his fears, which is a brave thing to do.