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**HOW TO WRITE CONSTRUCTED RESPONSE ANSWERS…CRQ Notes**

1. Some people call them\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ questions
2. They require you to write at least one \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**CRQ Outline**

1. **Include some background information, THEN……..**

**R-Restate or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

* **Include \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of work being discussed OR other \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_pertinent to the text/argument. Also called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**A – Answer the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

* **Goes into the same sentence and makes up your \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**C- Cite \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

* **Make sure to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**E- Explain \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

* **Relate how this evidence explicitly relates to your thesis**

**S- \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

* **Write an ending sentence the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ your claim. You can start your last sentence by using these words:**
* In conclusion, As a result, Consequently, Therefore (TRANSITIONS)

Notes:

1. On your CRQ, you will have:
   1. an introduction paragraph that has background information and your argument. (4 – 6 sentences)
   2. Then, you will have three separate body paragraphs that prove your three points. Each body paragraph will include a topic sentence, introducing your evidence, providing your evidence, analyzing your evidence and connecting to your thesis. Your evidence must be cited using MLA. We practiced this last year in English I. (6 – 9 sentences)
   3. Next, you will have a concluding paragraph that restates your points and ends your CRQ nicely. (3 – 5 sentences)
   4. Finally, you will have a works cited page with full citations based on your three sources. Remember the difference between an in-text citation and a full citation on the works cited page.
2. **CRQ will have the following items**

* Follow the format of a constructed response.
* Have the title and author of the text
* Have a clear thesis statement that answers/addresses the prompt.
* Define terms in the prompt and/or give background information for the reader relevant to your topic.
* Use transitions and introduce quotes.
* Use quotes/evidence that relate directly to the thesis statement.
* Have thorough explanations/elaboration that relates back to the thesis statement.
* Have restated thesis that ties all the information together and is not the same as the original thesis.
* Have no grammatical and mechanical errors.
  + Not use uses 1st or 2nd person: ~~I, me, we, us, you, your, etc.~~
  + Include quotes that are properly attached to other sentences

**CRQ Exemplar Practice and Analysis**

**Directions: Read the following CRQ. Note, this is similar to what you will write but is missing a third reason/third body paragraph. Answer the questions IN COMPLETE SENTENCES.**

**Introductory Paragraph Questions**

1. Review the notes. Describe the purpose of the first two sentences of paragraph one.
2. Underline the thesis or student answer of this CRQ. Summarize the student’s thesis.
3. What are the two reasons discussed in the thesis that will be the two reasons of this CRQ.
   1. Reason 1 –
   2. Reason 2 -

**CRQ**

In 2013, George Zimmerman was found not guilty in a Florida courtroom for the murder of teen Trayvon Martin. Zimmerman, a neighborhood watch officer, claimed he had killed Martin in self-defense because he thought he had a gun which was found to be incorrect. In regards to the verdict rendered to George Zimmerman concerning the murder of Trayvon Martin being justified, it is clear that it was unjustified and the verdict should be reversed due to an overlook in Florida’s laws and present interviews with jury members who have changed their minds.

1. What transition word is used to begin this paragraph?
2. What type of evidence is present in this paragraph? A quote or a paraphrase?
3. Write down the in-text citation used for this CRQ below.
4. Underline the Explanation/Analysis portion of this paragraph.
5. How many sentences is the explanation?
6. What point is being made to support the thesis in the second body paragraph?
7. How is the quote introduced in this second body paragraph?
8. Write down the in-text citation used to cite this evidence.

First, it is clear that Zimmerman is guilty because he did fact break laws concerning stalking and intention. According to the laws In Florida: "A person who willfully, maliciously, and repeatedly follows [or] harasses ... another person and makes a credible threat to that person commits the offense of aggravated stalking, a felony of the third degree." (Fla. Stat. § 784.048.) (“How Zimmerman Could…”). It is established in testimony and through the recorded phone calls that Zimmerman’s actions violate this statute. He willfully followed Martin down the street and is even told to stop by the 911 operator. Zimmerman’s decisions and refusal to stop clearly shows that he violated a Florida statute which should re-open the case.

Second, in an anonymous interview with jury member B29 after the trial, they admitted to feeling to disagreeing with the verdict. In an interview with ABC News, Juror B29 stated, “You can't put the man in jail even though in our hearts we felt he was guilty…..but we had to grab our hearts and put it aside and look at the evidence,” (Newcomb). The jury member clearly states they felt Zimmerman was guilty but could not break the rule of the law. However, as mentioned previously, it has been established that Zimmerman did break Florida statute. With this this revelation, it is

1. How many sentences are in the analysis/explanation for the evidence of the second body paragraph?
2. What is the purpose of the conclusion?
3. Connect the works cited page to the in-text citations you reviewed in the CRQ. In your own words, write a few sentences.

clear the jury was not completely informed and did not vote with their conscience. This means the verdict of “not guilty” was tainted and should be reviewed.

Therefore, due to violation of other Florida laws and resulting interviews from juries. It is clear that the Zimmerman case, while closed in court, should be reopened. There should be justice for Trayvon which was not found during those years ago.

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