# ACE your constructed response and essay questions

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#### A – Answer the question



Make the question into a statement that includes your answer.

<u>Example</u>: How did Jackie Robinson demonstrate the trait of perseverance?

Jackie Robinson demonstrated the traits of perseverance by <u>not quitting</u> the baseball team despite the discrimination he faced.

## C – Cite textual evidence for support



Use a quote or specific example from the text.

Be sure to introduce the citation and place quotation marks around direct quotes.

For example, the author states, "At every game, he had to put up with abuse from the stands; but something inside him would not let him give up" (p 1).

## E - Explain

Write a sentence that explains your answer and the supporting evidence.

Explain how the evidence supports your answer.

It's the "so what" part of your response.

Do not introduce any new information.

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### Full ACE Response

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#### Use ACE When...

- Answering questions that require textual evidence
- Answering questions that require evidence or proof
- Answering opinion-based questions
- Answering Constructed Response questions

