

## Responding to Reading with ICE

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**I** → INTERPRET the reading and answer the question

**C** → CITE evidence from the text

**E** → EXPLAIN how your citation relates to the claim and the main concepts in the text

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### *An example of ICING it up:*

*Step on a Crack* is a suspenseful novel full of many twists and turns. It leaves reading wanting to know more. The author, James Patterson, ends his chapters with cliffhangers to add to the suspense. For example, in Chapter 6 it ends with, “Big mistake, dude, I thought as I yanked back the doorknob. You just woke up the Grinch” (35). This chapter ending added suspense for the reader because it automatically causes the reader to ask the question: who is at the door? By building in chapter endings such as this, Patterson makes the reader want to keep reading to satisfy their desire to know what the next twist or turn might be.

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What do you notice about this response?

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***Your turn:***

Underline the I (Interpretation of claim)

Circle the C (Citation of Evidence)

Box up the E (Explanation)

It is impressive to watch Michael Bennett's character develop because he has many important roles, including dad, detective, and husband. So far, it is clear that he is a good dad. On page 31 it says, "I was heartened by my clutch Dad performance as I went on my rounds." This shows that he is a good dad because he is taking time to make sure all his children are comfortably tucked into bed and he is still caring for them even though he is missing his wife. He still makes his children a priority even though he is sad and has a stressful job. This is a sure sign of a strong father.

What does the text say?

“ICE”

## Interpret - Cite - Explain

**1 Interpret** — TOPIC SENTENCE - Determine what the question is asking. Restate the question. ?

**2 Cite/Explain (Evidence)**— Use at least 3 pieces of evidence from the text to support your answer.

**3** Use your own words and explain the evidence.

Sooo.....

**4** 1) Evidence + Explain 2) Evidence + Explain 3) Evidence + Explain

**5 \*Conclusion** – Restate the topic sentence. Tie it together.

