**Responding to Questions with Evidence**

**CLASS EXAMPLES:**

Don’t assume whoever reads your response knows the question- your response should make it clear what you are talking about

She explained how she became a psychologist, she also talked about how she began to discover grit.

Duckworth's experiences ~~as a teacher~~ contributes  (s/v agreement error) experiences contribute

Duckworth's experiences as a teacher contributes because it helps us the reader understand how she came up with this idea of "Grit: The Power of Passion and Perseverance". " But these concepts are not impossible, and I was firmly convinced that every one of my students could learn the material if they worked hard and long enough.(2)". In the passage Duckworth probably would have never thought of her concept without her years of teaching.

Duckworth is female

It helped force the idea that he knows what he was talking about and that he understands grit.

introduce and reference quotes (definitely INCLUDE them)

It helped the reader understand more and experience it.

**CLAIM: Restate the key words from the question AND add your answer in your OWN words.**

**(ONE sentence)**

**CITE: Introduce your evidence, “Quote evidence EXACTLY” (34).**

**CLARIFY: Add 2-4 sentences in your OWN words to further explain why you believe your**

**claim, how you reached your conclusions (how you got that answer)….**

**EXEMPLAR (model): How did Duckworth’s experiences as a teacher contribute to the text?**

Duckworth's experiences as a teacher show how she became interested in psychology. As a teacher, she saw that IQ did not necessarily determine how well students performed: "Some of my strongest performers did not have stratospheric IQ scores” (2). She was surprised by what she observed in her classroom, and as a result, the spark to learn more about the relationship between success, intelligence, and other character traits developed. In addition, showing that she has first-hand experience with the subject of her studies made her more credible.

**EXAMPLE:**

Duckworth's experiences as a teacher contributed to the text because thats what brought up the question of grit and success and how they correlate. She points out, "Some of my strongest performers did not have stratospheric IQ scores. " While teaching she was trying to figure out why students who had higher IQ's weren't doing as well as they should have compared to other students with lower IQ's. This drove her to become a psychologist and find the answer to her question. It all started as a mission to understand her students and took off from there.