

Class Discussion Question: \_\_\_\_\_

Check When Complete	ThinkCERCA Lesson/Step	Expectation	What Should I Do If I'm Finished?
	Writing Lesson Step 1: Connect	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read the Topic Overview and note new vocabulary words.</li> <li>• Ask yourself, "What do I already know about this topic?"</li> <li>• Read the Personal Connection prompt.</li> <li>• Answer the question in 3-5 complete sentences.</li> <li>• Check for proper grammar and punctuation.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Move on to Step 2.</li> </ul>
	Writing Lesson Step 2: Read	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read or listen to the text, following along carefully.</li> <li>• Click on bold words for definitions.</li> <li>• Answer the five multiple-choice questions.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collaborate with a peer to reflect on questions missed.</li> </ul>
	Writing Lesson Step 3: Engage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read the directions for the <b>aqua highlighter</b> and scan the text ONLY for evidence to support those directions. Add notes to help with reasoning.</li> <li>• Read the directions for the <b>pink highlighter</b> and scan the text ONLY for evidence to support those directions. Add notes to help with reasoning.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collaborate with a peer on evidence you found and explain why that supports the prompt.</li> <li>• Move on to Step 4.</li> </ul>
	Writing Lesson Step 4: Summarize	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review the text.</li> <li>• Write a 4- to 5-sentence summary highlighting the key aspects of the text.</li> <li>• Use the stems to help.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collaborate with a peer to share what you thought the big takeaways were from the article.</li> </ul>
	Writing Lesson Step 5: Argument Builder	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read the Writing Prompt and decide what you think.</li> <li>• Use the "Need help getting started?" button for help.</li> <li>• Write your claim and include 1-3 reasons why you believe it.</li> <li>• Include a reason, evidence, and reasoning card for each reason to support your thinking.</li> <li>• Include at least one counterargument.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prepare for a whole-group discussion on the <b>Class Discussion Question</b>.</li> </ul>
	Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Come prepared to share what your text was about and what you think about the key question.</li> <li>• Listen to peers and add on to their ideas or disagree respectfully.</li> <li>• Take notes from the discussion to strengthen your argument.</li> </ul>	
	Writing Lesson Step 6: Create Your CERCA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Begin with a brief summary (look in the "Your Work" tab).</li> <li>• Use your Argument Builder steps ("Your Work" tab) and sentence frames to set the foundation to your argument.</li> <li>• Add transitions and elaborate on your ideas to make them come together in a cohesive manner.</li> <li>• Add a conclusion to wrap up your thoughts and drive your claim home.</li> <li>• Reread your work and use the self-check rubric to ensure you've included all important components of an argument.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collaborate with a peer to provide feedback on final piece (use student-friendly rubric).</li> <li>• Review finished lessons in "Completed" tab.</li> <li>• Read silently.</li> </ul>