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Period: _____

ABC Strategy

For On-Demand Writing

Attack the Prompt

- Cross out words that are unnecessary, obvious, or distracting (i.e., “Write an essay...”)
- Circle words that ask the writer to “do” something (i.e., “discuss” or “explain”)
- Draw arrows from the circled “do” words to the words that describe what you’re supposed to do
- Rewrite and number the new prompt (using the circled and “arrowed” words)

Example:

Both texts develop the theme of freedom. Write an essay that compares and contrasts the approaches each text uses to develop the theme of freedom.

Which genre of writing is expected of you? Please circle one: Narrative Research Simulation Literary Analysis

Brainstorm

- Brainstorm all potential points/topics (in the way that you feel most comfortable and successful)
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Choose the Order of the Response

- Select which items you will use from your brainstorming list
 - Decide how to order those items in your writing
 - Outline your essay accordingly
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Attack the Prompt Drills

Writing Task #1

Consider the argument each author uses to demonstrate Earhart’s bravery. Write an essay that analyzes the strength of the arguments related to Earhart’s bravery.

A: Attack the Prompt

Which genre of writing is expected of you? Please circle one: Narrative Research Simulation Literary Analysis

Writing Task #2

Think about the similarities and differences in how the two authors develop the themes in each text. Write an essay in which you identify a theme from each text and analyze how each theme is developed.

A: Attack the Prompt

Which genre of writing is expected of you? Please circle one: Narrative Research Simulation Literary Analysis

Writing Task #3

Write a continuation of the story of Bahauddin Shah using details from the passage. Describe what you think might happen after Bahauddin Shah climbs out of the Salt Caverns. What obstacles might he face, and what actions might he take to overcome them?

A: Attack the Prompt

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Writing Task #4

At the end of the passage, Howie tells Kevin that he is not making a good case. Rewrite the story in 1st person point of view as told by Kevin. In writing your story: Consider what Kevin might say that would strengthen his case. Be sure to use what you have learned about the setting, characters, and plot of the passage.

A: Attack the Prompt

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Writing Task #5

Consider how the main character in each excerpt reacts to the incidents that occur and write an essay in which you analyze how each character's thoughts and actions reveal aspects of his personality.

A: Attack the Prompt

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Writing Task #6

In an essay, compare the purposes of the three sources. Analyze how each source uses explanations and demonstrations to accomplish its purpose. Be sure to discuss important differences and similarities between the information gained from the video and the information provided in the articles.

A: Attack the Prompt

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