

# FORMING EVIDENCE-BASED CLAIMS

<h2>FINDING DETAILS</h2>	<p>As I read, I notice authors use a lot of details and strategies to develop their points and arguments. I might then ask myself: What details should I look for? How do I know they are important? Below are examples of types of details authors often use in important ways.</p>		
<p>I find interesting details that are <u>related</u> and that stand out to me from reading the text closely.</p>	<p><b>Author's Facts and Ideas</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Statistics</li> <li>• Examples</li> <li>• Vivid Description</li> <li>• Characters/Actors</li> <li>• Events</li> </ul>	<p><b>Author's Words and Organization</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Repeated words</li> <li>• Strong Language</li> <li>• Figurative language</li> <li>• Tone</li> <li>• Organizational Structure/Phrases</li> </ul>	<p><b>Opinions and Point of View</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interpretations</li> <li>• Explanation of ideas or events</li> <li>• Narration</li> <li>• Personal reflection</li> <li>• Beliefs</li> </ul>
<h2>CONNECTING THE DETAILS</h2>	<p>By reading closely and thinking about the details that stand out to me, I can make connections among them. Below are some ways details can be connected.</p>		
<p>I re-read and think about the details, and <u>explain</u> the connections I find among them.</p>	<p><b>Facts and Ideas</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Authors use hard facts to illustrate or define an idea.</li> <li>• Authors use examples to express a belief or point of view.</li> <li>• Authors use vivid description to compare or oppose different ideas.</li> <li>• Authors describe different actors or characters to illustrate a comparison or contrast.</li> <li>• Authors use a sequence of events to arrive at a conclusion.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Words and Organization</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Authors repeat specific words or structures to emphasize meaning or tone.</li> <li>• Authors use language or tone to establish a mood.</li> <li>• Authors use figurative language to infer emotion or embellish meaning.</li> <li>• Authors use a specific organization to enhance a point or add meaning.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Opinions and Point of View</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Authors compare or contrast evidence to help define his or her point of view.</li> <li>• Authors offer their explanation of ideas or events to support their beliefs.</li> <li>• Authors tell their own story to develop their point of view.</li> <li>• Authors use language to reveal an opinion or feeling about a topic.</li> </ul>
<h2>MAKING A CLAIM</h2> <p>I state a conclusion that I have come to and can support with <u>evidence</u> from the text after reading and thinking about it closely.</p>	<p>As I group and connect my details, I can come to a conclusion and form a statement about the text.</p>		