

## Critical Concepts 7.3A Non-Fiction Writing Lesson Plans

### Turning Graphic Organizers into Writing Responses

After students complete their organizers, model how to turn it into a short paragraph.

**Prompt:** Using your completed organizer for \_\_\_\_\_(insert text name here)\_\_\_\_\_write a short paragraph explaining how an individual, event, or idea interacted with other elements in the text. Be sure to:

- Include the individual/event/idea
- Include analysis or main principles
- Explain how it influenced something else in the text
- Use at least one vocabulary word from the word bank

Individual / Event / Idea

Beliefs, Actions, or Main Principles

Analysis of Event / Idea / Action

Influence on another element

#### I Do (Teacher Model – History of the Curse of the Bambino)

The event of the sale of Babe Ruth to the Yankees created frustration among fans and impacted the team's morale. The analysis shows that the trade removed a star player and led to decades of losing seasons. This event influenced the idea of a "curse" affecting the Red Sox, demonstrating how a single event can shape perceptions and beliefs about a team's performance.

#### We Do (Guided Practice – Cultural Influences on Trend Forecasting)

The idea of cultural trends influencing fashion and consumer behavior is central to the text. The main principles show that trends are shaped by music, style, and technology. Analysis reveals that these trends guide decisions in product design and marketing. This idea influenced events like fashion companies creating new designs in anticipation of trends, showing how ideas can directly shape actions in society.

#### You Do with Partner (Collaborative – Free Speech, Personified)

The individual Free Speech advocates for expression and challenges censorship. Their beliefs/actions focus on encouraging citizens to exercise their rights. Analysis explains that Free Speech's actions highlight the importance of protecting personal liberties. This individual influenced the idea of civic engagement, showing how one personified concept can guide public understanding and behavior.

**You Do Independently (Independent – Norman Rockwell's Inspiring and Enduring Painting)**

The idea of American values and heroism is central to Rockwell's paintings. The main principles emphasize patriotism, community, and everyday heroism. Analysis shows that the paintings communicate these values clearly and inspire audiences. These ideas influenced events such as wartime campaigns and educational initiatives, demonstrating how art can impact society and action.