

# Anchor Chart: Short Answer

You will be responsible for creating your own anchor chart for the **Short Answer** writing process. An **anchor chart** is a way to visually represent a concept you are learning.

You will be working in a pair, collaboratively but you will create **your own** chart for your own reference. I will provide paper and markers for you to create your anchor chart. If you want to use map pencils instead, you must bring those yourself.

- **This anchor chart needs to be visually appealing as well as informational.**

## Your Short Answer anchor chart must include the following:

- The title “Short Answer- AEeC Process”**
  - This could be included as a question near the top of your chart.
- The term “Assertion” with a definition.** Consider what it means to be assertive. What do you have to do in order to provide a good assertion? Include any clues that have been provided for you from class so far.
  - Include a colored image to represent the Assertion part of the short answer.
- The term “Evidence” with a definition.** Consider what makes something evidence. Include those questions on your chart. Include any clues that have been provided for you from class so far.
  - Include a colored image to represent the Evidence part of the short answer.
- The term “Explanation” with a definition.** Why is this part of AEeC important? Consider adding the term context. What is context? Include that information on your chart.
  - Include a colored image to represent the Explanation part of the short answer.
- The term “Connection” with a definition.** Consider what the connection is doing for your answer as a whole. Include that information on your chart.
  - Include a colored image to represent the Connection part of the short answer.

### Example of an anchor chart for AEeC



Please note that this example has been provided to give you a very general idea of the requirements for this assignment. Copying exactly what you see without adding any of your own thoughts or ideas will result in a failing grade.

Having trouble with the definitions for each part of the AEeC process? Try looking in the notes that we took last week!

### What it IS


**1. ASSERTION**  
The ASSERTION IS a provable answer to the question that is asked. It IS stated as a fact. It IS the first thing you should write.

**2. EVIDENCE #1**  
**3. EXPLAIN #1**  
The EVIDENCE IS a direct quote that proves your ASSERTION. You select evidence carefully. Use only quotes that prove your ASSERTION.

**4. EVIDENCE #2**  
**5. EXPLAIN #2**  
EXPLAIN IS you providing the context of the EVIDENCE. The explanation is in your own words. The context is you telling what is happening in the passage.

**6. CONNECTION**  
The CONNECTION IS what connects the EVIDENCE to your ASSERTION. Did you prove your ASSERTION? How so? The connection could be two sentences.

## SHORT ANSWER AEeC PROCESS



### What it ISN'T

ASSERTION: ISN'T you telling me what you think, maybe, kind of, probably, you believe, it could be.

EVIDENCE: ISN'T some random 5 words that you pulled from the story without consideration.

EXPLAIN: ISN'T you rewording or summarizing the evidence.

CONNECTION: ISN'T a summary of the story or the rest of your short answer.

A note from your teacher: Short answers are a process. You start at the beginning and follow every step in order. Then combine them all to reach the end product; a well-written short answer.

1. ASSERTION
2. EVIDENCE #1
3. EXPLAIN #1
4. EVIDENCE #2
5. EXPLAIN #2
6. CONNECTION

