

RL 7.1: How do you cite textual evidence to support analysis and inferences?
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Based on the selection, what can be inferred about _____?

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According to the selection, why is there controversy over _____?
Which statement gives support to the assertion that _____?
According to the selection, why is _____?
What challenges _____ in the selection?
Which statement from the selection supports the author's claim _____?

**How do you cite textual
evidence to support analysis
and inferences?**

Definitions

Textual Evidence- information from the text that supports an idea

Example

Mongoose on the Loose

In 1872 a Jamaican sugar planter imported nine furry little mongooses from India to eat the rats which were devouring his crops. They did such a good job, the planter started breeding his exotic animals and selling them to eager farmers on neighboring islands.

With no natural predators- like wolves, coyotes, or poisonous snakes- the mongoose population exploded, and within a few years, they were killing not just rats but pigs, lambs, chickens, puppies, and kittens. Dr. G. Roy Horst, a U.S. expert on mongooses, says that today mongooses live on seventeen Caribbean islands as well as Hawaii and Fiji, where they have attacked small animals, threatened endangered species, and have even spread minor rabies epidemics.

1. What quote from the selection shows the purpose of importing mongooses?

Answer: The quote that best shows support for the purpose of importing mongooses is “to eat the rats which were devouring his crops.”

Textual Evidence: “To eat the rats which were devouring his crops.”

2. According to the selection, why did “the planter start breeding his exotic animals and selling them to eager farmers on neighboring islands”?

Answer: According to the selection, the planter started breeding the mongooses because they did such a good job eating the rats.

Textual Evidence: “They did such a good job.”

3. What quote from the selection gives support to the assertion that mongooses could be dangerous for humans?

Answer: The quote that supports the assertion that mongooses could be dangerous to humans is they “have even spread minor rabies epidemics.”

Textual Evidence: “Have even spread minor rabies epidemics.”

Activity

Directions: Answer each of the following questions in a complete sentence and give textual evidence and to support your answer.

1. What quote from the selection shows _____?

Answer:

Textual Evidence:

2. According to the selection, why did _____?

Answer:

Textual Evidence:

3. What quote from the selection gives support to the assertion that _____?

Answer:

Textual Evidence:

RL 7.2: How does theme develop throughout text?

Which quote from the selection supports the theme?

An example of how the theme recurs/is developed in the text is _____.

**How does theme develop
throughout text?**

Definitions

Theme- the central message of a story that recurs over and over, and can be related to your life

Example

Michael Jordan Biography

In his sophomore year of high school, Michael Jordan tried out for the varsity basketball team at Laney High School in Wilmington, North Carolina. But at five feet and eleven inches tall, the coach believed that Jordan was too short to play at that level, so Jordan was cut from the team. Jordan didn't let this obstacle defeat him. In fact, it pushed him to work even harder. He trained vigorously and grew another four inches the following summer. When he finally made the varsity squad, Jordan averaged 25 points a game and went on to become one of the greatest basketball players in history.

1. What is a possible theme of this passage?

Answer: A possible theme of this passage is determination.

2. Which quote from the selection BEST supports the theme?

- a. "Michael Jordan tried out for the varsity basketball team at Laney High School"
- b. "the coach believed that Jordan was too short to play at that level, so Jordan was cut from the team"
- c. "Jordan didn't let this obstacle defeat him"
- d. "went on to become one of the greatest basketball players in history"

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(Add multiple choice questions HERE.)