**What is a Constructed Response?**

•   is a question that cannot be answered with a simple “yes” or “no,” or with just a couple words

•  can have many different answers that are all correct!

• ask us to discuss a passage using information taken directly from the text

A Constructed Response…

• answers all parts of the question.

• should be at least three paragraphs long, and

each paragraph should be at least 5 to 7 sentences.

• must include my own thoughts and ideas as well as information taken from the passage that I read.

**How should a Constructed Response look?**

• should **restate** the **question** to show we **understand** what is being **asked**

• should answer **all parts** of the **question**

• should include **detailed explanations** and **examples** from the passage, as well as **our own thoughts**.

•   should include a **restatement** of the **text** or a **direct quote** to demonstrate understanding of the question.

•   **Transitions** such as “Also,” “In addition,” “To add,” etc. should be used to help make the response **easier** to **read**.

should have an ending the answers the question, “How does it all fit together?”

**In the END try:**

-finding similarites or differences

-identifying themes

-ending with a metaphor or analogy

-connecting to another text