

Cross-Curricular Literacy:

Writing Evidence-Based 2 Point
Responses

ELA Students' Successes and Areas of Need:

Successful with:

- Closely reading an excerpt from a text and using it to understand the text as a whole
- Recognizing genres and text structure
- The transition from reading literary texts to a focus on informational and paired texts.
- Formal, structured writing

Need more practice with:

- Completing and comprehending lengthy and complex tests
- **Using evidence directly from the text in written responses**
- **Selecting relevant text-based details and explaining how they support a claim.** Identifying and understanding vocabulary through context clues
- Pacing and timing while reading high-level texts

Assessing Short Responses

- The 2 Point Short Response Rubric
 - Converts easily to a grade (if necessary).
 - Communicates expectations to students.
 - Supports ELA instruction 😊.
 - Reinforces writing expectations across the curriculum.

Writing the Short Constructed Response (2 Pointer) Using RACE

Acronym	Meaning	Application
R	Reword the Question.	State your claim/Answer the question.
A	Answer the Question	
C	Cite Textual Evidence.	For example, Another example is... According to the author, According to the text,
E	Explain your answer. (Analysis)	This means ... This shows... This proves ... This illustrates... This demonstrates... This supports

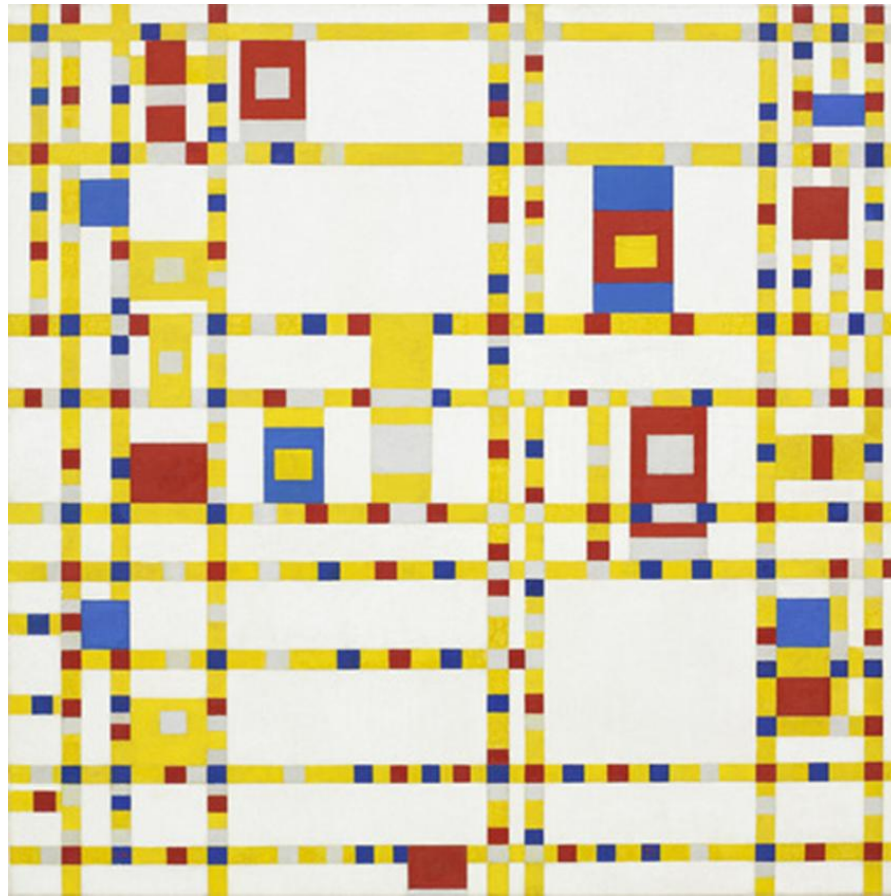
The Arts

- If definition of text includes non-print texts (dance, media arts, music, or theatre works)....
- then all reading standards refer to arts-based content or investigation.
 - From Scott Shuler's CC Presentation

Nighthawks: NYC



Broadway Boogie Woogie: NYC



Possible 2-Pointers:

- Discuss the extent to which each artist was focused on the **people** versus the **place**. Use text-based details in your answer.
- Discuss the painters' use of color, the distance at which they placed the viewer, and the type of space in the work. Use text-based details in your answer.
- Which painter better captures the way YOU see New York City? Use text-based details in your answer.

Science Sample: Tycho and Kepler

- Requires that students state a claim and support with text-based evidence.
- Perfect to slap a 2 point rubric on and call it a day!

ELA Samples

- Require close reading.
- Require text-based responses.
- Require analysis.

Ideas to Share:

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Thank You!

