

Sentence Frames- Interpreting in Language Arts

- It really means _____ because _____
- The _____ is a metaphor for _____
- It wasn't literal: that's the author's way of describing how _____
- The author was trying to teach that _____
- One way to interpret her words is _____
- The _____ is an important symbol for _____ because _____
- Her actions mean that _____
- That part was like when I _____
- It's a figurative way to describe how _____
- It could mean that _____ because _____
- When _____ shows us that _____
- If we read between the lines, we see that _____
- The author's background helps us figure out _____
- The author used the analogy, _____, because _____
- That is similar to my life in that _____
- The moral of the story is _____

Write three more sentence frames for interpreting a topic or piece of literature:

Sentence Frames- Persuading in Language Arts

- Based on the evidence in the story so far, we believe _____ because _____
- We feel that the long-term gains outweigh the short-term losses because _____
- It is a difficult issue, but I feel that the positives of _____ outweigh the negatives of _____
- However, there are several reasons to oppose this point of view: _____, _____, and _____
- It is also vital to consider _____
- The other side of the story is _____
- What it seems to come down to is _____ versus _____
- I understand what you are saying, but I would like to emphasize _____
- That is a good point, but I think that the evidence from the story shows that _____
- Although some people claim that _____
- They say (claim, maintain, hold) that _____
- On the other hand, there are many who disagree with the idea that _____
- Opponents also argue that _____ but _____

Write three more sentence frames for persuading/discussing with the intent to persuade/support a position on a topic or piece of literature:

Sentence Frames-Identifying Cause/Effect in Language Arts

- I think the character did that _____ because _____.
- That wasn't caused by that _____ because _____
- Just because it happened after _____ doesn't mean it was caused by _____
- I hypothesize that _____ made them _____
- The most likely reason for _____ was _____
- It was not a coincidence that _____
- Even though many people thought that the cause was _____, I believe it was _____
- Each _____ played a key role. First, _____ did _____. Then, _____ did _____.
- The purpose of that character was to _____ because _____
- The results of her actions were _____
- The reason they _____
- The _____ led to _____ which led to _____
- She was motivated by _____

Write three more sentence frames for identifying cause and effect in a piece of literature:
