

Name _____ Class _____

CEI: Claim, Evidence and Interpretation

Claim:

Evidence: Examples, quotas, textual references that support the claim ...

Interpretations: An explanation and/or analysis of the evidence

Finding the Main Idea of a Passage

Directions: Find the main idea of each paragraph in the passage. Then ask yourself, “What do these paragraphs ha in common? What are they telling me together?” When you have figured it out, write down the main idea of the entire passage.

Main Idea of Paragraph 1:

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Main Idea of Paragraph 2:

Main Idea of Paragraph 3:

Main Idea of Paragraph 4:

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Main Idea of Paragraph 5:

Main Idea of Passage:
