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Timed writing reflection

1. Underline your HOOK—it is the first sentence, and its job is to grab the reader's attention fully. Evaluate your HOOK. Does it grab the reader's attention? If it does not, come up with two hook ideas here.
2. Highlight your THESIS in one color. What argument(s) does your THESIS make?
3. Read the PROMPT. What specifically is the prompt asking you to do? Does your thesis address each item in the prompt—if not, fix it so it does in the space below.
4. Highlight your TOPIC SENTENCES in a different color. Do the topic sentences directly relate to your thesis?
5. For each paragraph, number each of your SUPPORT sentences. You should use textual evidence in each of your support sentences. Using a third color, highlight each quote, summary, or paraphrase that you used to support your claim. Are you using more quotes, summary, or paraphrasing?
6. Underline twice any section of your essay where you SUMMARIZE or PARAPHRASE. Notice how much analysis there is in comparison to your summary. There should only be about 25% summary or less, and 75% or more analysis. What is your ratio?
7. Look at your conclusion and find your CLINCHER. The clincher should bring the essay to a thoughtful conclusion. Evaluate your clincher—how could it be improved?