**CLEAR Paragraph Template**

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| **C**  **L**  **A**  **I**  **M** | *FACTS + ANALYSIS:*  *Topic + commentary that applies to all Is in the paragraph (opinion, analysis, interpretation, why it matters, “so what”)* |
| **L**  **E**  **A**  **D**  **I**  **N** | *FACT/S:*  *Background information your reader needs to know to understand your topic*  *Fact, quote, paraphrase, example, illustration, evidence, support, plot reference, plot summary* |
| **E**  **V**  **I**  **D**  **E**  **N**  **C**  **E** | *FACTS:*  *quote, paraphrase, example, illustration, evidence, support, plot reference, plot summary* |
| **A**  **N**  **A**  **L**  **Y**  **S**  **I**  **S** | *ANALYSIS:*  *So what, why, analysis, interpretation, evaluation, feelings, opinion, significance, reasons why* |
| **R**  **E**  **A**  **S**  **O**  **N**  **I**  **N**  **G** | *ANALYSIS:*  *Gives finished feeling for the paragraph; no repeats; ties to the CLAIM* |