**HOW TO WRITE**

**ANALYSIS OF TEXT EVIDENCE**

Strong readers analyze text evidence to develop interesting and engaging ideas! **Readers analyze text evidence by**

1. **Explaining the context of the quote. Summarizing the quote and giving a little background of when it was said in the text.**
2. **Asking, why is this quotation important? What does it show/reveal?**
3. **How does this quotation prove the thesis is true? Explain how the evidence proves the thesis is true.**

Every individual struggles to find their individuality through distressing family relationships.

**Annie John enters the stage of adolescence ( teen years) and becomes rebellious, doing anything and everything in her power to challenge and irritate her mother. Since Annie and her mother cannot be as close as they were in her younger years, Annie is angry and punishes her mother for this inevitable transition in their relationship. At one point, Annie admits, “ I did all this, just to see her face turn sour ”(p.17). Annie is afraid to exist in this world away from her mother’s love and kindness, unfortunately, part of growing up is relying on one’s self and not another person. Annie’s mother however is aware that this break in their relationship will strengthen Annie and provide her with the tools necessary to be independent and self-reliant. Annie’s mother constantly tells her, “ Let go of my skirt”. Annie is constantly grabbing on to her mother’s skirt, a symbol for her inability to literally “let go” and act as an individual, which explain hers rebellious behavior.**