**Directions:** Find 6 passages from the Non-Fiction texts that you can use to support an answer to the focus question. You must have 3 passages to support a response in support of (pro) the operation and 3 passages to support a response against (con) the operation. Each passage must each come from a different source.

**Focus Question:** If scientists could perform a simple operation to increase a person's intelligence, should they do it?

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| **Pro or Con** | **Context**  | **Concrete Detail** | **Commentary** |
| **Directions:** Is the evidence you are citing in support of (pro) or against (con) the focus question? | **Directions**: Summarize the setting and the action leading into your CD. Focus on important details that clarify any confusion that may result from viewing the CD in isolation. This includes, but is not limited to: Who is speaking? Who is the person speaking to (if anyone)? What lead to the conversation or the action? | **Directions:** Copy the passage exactly as it appears in the text. Include the page number in parentheses after the CD: “text” (55). | **Directions:** Write a three to four sentence interpretation of each passage. Clearly explain how each passage proves the position you indicated in the left-hand column (pro or con). You cannot assume that your reader can make the connection, so you must thoroughly explain the connection between the evidence and the position to the reader. Avoid summarizing the CD. Instead, INTERPRET the CD. |
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