

What makes for an exciting close reading?

- > Let us in on the secret - why is this something we should be curious about? What are the 'stakes' of this close reading?
- > Show us your excitement at discovering a meaning that was hidden inside of a text - something so easy to skim over or so quickly consume that you don't realize the impact it really holds

Color Code

**Contextualize the quote - where does it appear in the text?
What general purpose does it serve?**

Direct quote

Putting the quote in your own words

**Breaking down the quote (analysis) into smaller pieces to explain
*how it creates/adds to the larger meaning of the text***

Swap Your Writing

Looking at your classmate's writing:

- (1) Using our color code system, highlight the four parts of a close reading (context, quote, description in own words, interpretation and explanation)
- (2) Write a short paragraph explaining how you think they can expand, clarify, or revise this paragraph to make the close reading interesting to you as a reader