EVIDENCE-BASED CLAIMS CRITERIA CHECKLIST I - G6-8		COMMENTS
I. CONTENT AND ANALYSIS An EBC is a clearly stated inference that arises from close reading of a text.	Clarity of the Claim: States a conclusion that you have come to after reading a text and that you want others to think about.	
	Conformity to the Text: Is based upon and linked to the ideas and details of the text you have read.	
	Understanding of the Topic: Demonstrates knowledge of and sound thinking about a text or topic that matters to you and others.	
II. COMMAND OF EVIDENCE An EBC is supported by specific textual evidence and developed through valid reasoning.	Reasoning: All parts of the claim are supported by specific evidence you can point to in the text.	
	Use and Integration of Evidence: Uses direct quotations and examples from the text to explain and prove its conclusion.	

