The English language arts (ELA) section of the Forward Exam presents students with a Text-Dependent Analysis (TDA) question. A TDA requires students to use their best writing skills to form an essay. Within the essay, the student must respond to a question and support their answer (claims, opinions, ideas) using evidence from the passage(s) read. The TDA allows students to demonstrate their ability to interpret the meaning behind the passage by writing an analysis and providing supporting evidence.

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