

# THREE 4 THINKING

Use the following “notecards” to respond to a text (visual, audio, digital, print, etc.) in four chunks. On each card please use one of the four prompts below to guide your writing.



Write down a quote or passage from the text that was meaningful to you. Remember, a quote can be anything – it does not just have to be something someone “said.” For example, if we quote from a Wikipedia entry it can be anything taken from that specific entry.



Write down an idea presented in the text that interested or intrigued you.

**AH-HA**

Write down an “ah-ha” moment you had when you were interacting with the text. An “ah-ha” moment is something you had never thought of before or something that suddenly became clear.



Write down a connection or “link” between the text and something else you’ve learned, read or studied, a personal experience or something you know about from the world.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**1.** Circle your choice of response “ . . ?

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**2.** Circle your choice of response **AH-HA** . . ?

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**3.** Circle your choice of response **AH-HA** . . ?

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**4.** Circle your choice of response “ . . ?

**TEACHER NOTE:** We recommend using these as four “notecards.” If students cut them out at the end of reading/viewing/listening to a text they can share their cards on the floor and sort them by themes and ideas (aka an affinity sort). That way the “Three 4 Thinking” cards become a differentiated tool for a kinesthetic whole-group discussion of the text that allows everyone’s voice to be heard.