Written Response Helpers

Use Graff/Birkenstein's They Say / I Say template to identify, pull apart, and respond to the article above. Your response should be at least 250 words.

1. Clever title, properly capitalized.
2. Uses They Say / I Say template to fully develop both the author's and the writer's arguments.
3. Accurately identifies a central claim of the article.
4. Appropriately leads into, blends, cites, and discusses **at least** one quote or key fact / statistic from the article.
5. Explains each quote and discusses your reaction to it (agree or disagree).
6. Concluding sentences.
7. 250+ words, NEAT, LEGIBLE, NO DISTRACTING ERRORS.

Self-Editing Checklist

I've read through my response, stopping and correcting anything that sounds wordy, awkward, or redundant.	
I have led into and smoothly blended at least one quotation from the article.	
I've properly cited the quotation using parenthetical citation.	
I've capitalized and properly formatted the article title: Ex.) "Miss America and Social Media's Ignorant Bigotry" by Leonard Pitts	
I have used logical, appropriate transitions in my response.	
My paragraph ends with a logical concluding sentence which sums things up.	
My response is at least 250+ words in length. I've written my word count at the bottom of the paragraph or as a comment on the Doc.	
It may sound simple, but I've made sure to capitalize the first word in each sentence.	
Each sentence has a complete thought. NO SENTENCE FRAGMENTS.	
Sentences are separated by appropriate punctuation. NO RUN-ONS.	

Title: _____

The general argument made by author X in her/his work, _____, is that _____. More specifically, X argues that _____. She/he writes, "_____." In this passage, X is suggesting that _____. In conclusion, X's belief is that _____.

In my view, X is wrong/right, because _____. More specifically, I believe that _____. For example, _____. Although X might object that _____, I maintain that _____. Therefore, I conclude that _____.