Examples of an IVF entry

IVF is an acronym for ***Identify, Verb, Finish the Thought.*** In one or two sentences students can identify a work and state the main idea. The second or third sentence should add a detail to illustrate or elaborate on the main idea.

Here is an example of a two sentence entry:

**In chapter three of *Ramona the Pest* by Beverly Cleary, the author shows how Ramona behaves during seatwork time. Ramona has a hard time sitting still and she often talks to other students or shares her ideas about the teacher’s directions.**

Here is an example of a three sentence entry:

**Maurice Sendak, the author of *Where the Wild things Are, describes a fantasy world that Max, a naughty boy, enters when he is sent to his bedroom. It is filled with monsters that rumble and roar, but do no harm. After Max returns back to his room, he discovers his mother, who forgives him, has his dinner waiting for him.***

**Possible Verbs to use for IVF Sentences**

**Explains identifies shows illustrates tells**

**Proves teaches suggests describes relates**

**Implies discusses implies reveals declares**