

Aha! Thesis Guidelines

The Aha! Thesis is written at the end of each unit to summarize the main concepts that you learned and to help you see how those concepts are connected.

Introduction Paragraph:

- In this unit we learned about...
- The phenomenon for this unit was...
- The “Big Question” we focused on was...

Explanation and Argument Paragraph(s):

- Provide your explanation to the big question.
 - Use statements that you wrote on your Aha! Connections page throughout the unit.
 - Mention concepts from as many Learning Targets as possible and mention how each was connected to the “Big Question”.
- Support your explanation through argument.
 - Use examples, data, and details from learning activities we did throughout the unit.
 - Mention relevant cross-cutting concepts and core ideas.
 - Your goal is to convince the reader that your explanation is the best explanation and that he or she should believe it.

Your Aha! Thesis will be graded based on our Science Reasoning Rubric.