## **Quotation Symphony**

Gives students an opportunity to find the main idea and introduces them to finding textual evidence to back up an answer.

- 1. Inform students that they should be looking for the most important sentence (line or chunk) in the text.
- 2. As the text is read, students should be underlining important sentences that they will consider for the most important.
- Students should reread everything they underline (mini-lesson underlining important details only).
- 4. Each student selects the most important sentence (line or chunk) from the text.
- 5. Students take turns (without stopping) reading the portion of the text they selected.
- 6. Teacher can point out / lead class discussion regarding what the students chose as the most important.

Variation: Look for a quotation that elicits a particular feeling or showcases a theme. Ex: Choose a sentence that proves the author believes that bullying is dangerous.

