# CERR Annotation Symbols

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| **Symbol** | **Meaning** |
| **C** Claim:  A testable statement or conclusion. | . What is the author claiming to be true? |
| **E**  Evidence:  Data used to support a claim. | What data supports the claim that is made? |
| **R**  Reasoning: Justification of the ways in which the evidence supports the claim. | How are different pieces of evidence used together to support the claim? |
| **R** Rebuttal: Why the claim (or an alternative claim) is not reasonable. | What information is given that suggests the claim is wrong, invalid or unacceptable? |
| **Q** Questions:  What do you want to know? | What questions do you have about the text? |