*McGonigal: Analysis of Paragraphs 23-30*

**Direction Sheet**

1. **What is the thematic connection between the Lydians and modern gamers? Concisely describe it here.**

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1. **Discuss your explanation with your group members. Revise your response if necessary on the lines below. Transfer the revisal of this thematic connection statement to the bottom of page 8 of the McGonigal text.**

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1. **Read and annotate paragraphs 23-30 (pages 8-9). As you read, annotate evidence that supports your thoughts on this thematic connection.**
* **Highlight** evidence for the thematic connection that you devised for #1
* **Circle** meaningful diction
* Put a **rectangle** around unknown words. Look up the definition and note it in the margin.
* **Flag** structural elements that now have become a pattern in McGonigal’s writing. **Write** **notations** in the margin concerning the importance/significance of these elements.
* Next to paragraph 30, **write a note** explaining why this last sentence (a zinger—a striking or amusing final remark) is striking and impactful.
* Based on your analysis, **write 2 tone words** under paragraph 30.

**Important:** Be prepared on Monday to share your analysis of paragraphs 23-29 and how it leads up to McGonigal's final claim that "we are starving, and our games are feeding us" in paragraph 30.