Answer Key

Question: Why was Emma Edmonds a successful spy?

(Answers can include any of the following details:)

Details from the Text ("Reading Voice")	My Observations ("Thinking Voice")
"Whether disguised as an enslaved person, an Irish peddler woman, a black laundress, or a Confederate sympathizer, Frank's real identity was never uncovered by the enemy."	She was good at disguising herself.
"She answered questions about weapons and forts and cannons, and about her loyalty to the United States. She proved that she knew how to ride a horse and shoot a gun."	She had knowledge and skills about military life.
"All day she moved rocks and gravel to build up the camp's defenses."	She could withstand physical labor and pain.
"Her muscles ached; her hands were bloodied and blistered."	
"she made mental notes of every gun, every trench, and every cannon. Two days later she slipped away unnoticed, with hastily scribbled notes and diagrams hidden in the soles of her shoes. "	She was observant and secretive.
"To reach the enemy camp, Emma tromped through soggy Chickahominy Swamp and was forced to spend the night in a heavy rainstorm. By morning she was burning with fever, and it was three days before she was well enough to move on."	She was physically tough.
"While she waited, Emma wandered around the camp, memorizing the number of troops, the size of the cannons, and the layout of the trenches."	She was observant and secretive.
My Inference	
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