

Writing for College Success provides an English curriculum focused on developing the mastery of skills identified as critical to postsecondary readiness in writing. This single semester elective aligns to Florida's Postsecondary Readiness Competencies in writing and targets students required to complete additional instruction based on their performance on the Postsecondary Education Readiness Test (PERT). Course topics include grammar and usage; essential writing skills; persuasive, informative and narrative writing; and research.

Robust scaffolding in the form of process guides and graphic organizers helps reluctant writers internalize strategies and develop composition skills. Select activities target text-handling skills and promote improved performance on commonly assessed analysis and response standards. Study sheets support engagement with direct instruction and develop note-taking and study skills.

This course is built to the Florida Postsecondary Readiness Competencies.

Length: One semester

UNIT 1: WRITING: LEARNING AND USING NEW WORDS

LESSON 1: INTRODUCTION TO VOCABULARY BUILDING

Study: Building Vocabulary: Value of Vocabulary

Learn about the importance of building vocabulary. Explore some general vocabulary-building skills.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 2: INTRODUCTION TO CONTEXT CLUES AND WORD SKIPPING

Study: Vocabulary Building: Context Clues and Word Skipping

Learn how to use the context of a word to derive its meaning and how to skip words effectively as you read.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 3: MORE USING CONTEXT

Study: More Using Context

Review and learn more about context clues through an interactive activity.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 4: INTRODUCTION TO WORD ROOTS

Study: Building Vocabulary: Word Roots

Learn about the importance of word roots and how they can be used to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words. Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

LESSON 5: INTRODUCTION TO PREFIXES

Study: Building Vocabulary: Prefixes

Learn about the importance of prefixes and how they can be used to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 6: INTRODUCTION TO SUFFIXES

Study: Building Vocabulary: Suffixes

Learn about the importance of suffixes and how they can be used to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 7: CONNOTATION

Study: Connotation

Learn to determine a word's connotation and its relationship to other similar words. Put words with similar meaning in order by intensity.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Test Your Understanding

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 8: IDIOMS AND OTHER FIGURATIVE LANGUAGE

Study: Idioms and Figurative Language

Learn how to decode idioms and other figurative language.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Test Your Understanding

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 9: USING A THESAURUS

Study: Using a Thesaurus

Learn how to effectively use a thesaurus.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 9 points

LESSON 10: WRITING: LEARNING AND USING NEW WORDS WRAP-UP

Test (CS): Writing: Learning and Using New Words

Take a computer-scored test to check what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 50 points

UNIT 2: LANGUAGE ARTS SKILLS: MECHANICS

LESSON 1: INTRODUCTION TO SPELLING STRATEGIES

Study: Building Vocabulary: Spelling Strategies

Learn how to use spelling strategies to help with spelling, pronunciation, and meaning of known and unknown words.

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 2: HOMOPHONES AND HOMOGRAPHS

Study: Homophones and Homographs

Learn and practice some new words.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 3: GRAMMAR: MECHANICS

Study: Mechanics

Review and hone your skills with regard to spelling, capitalization, abbreviation, and italics.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of punctuation and mechanics.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 4: PUNCTUATION

Study: Punctuation I

Review parts of sentences and the rules for effective sentence construction.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess your Understanding

Take a quiz to check your understanding of punctuation essentials.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Punctuation II

Further explore punctuation in writing to ensure clarity of meaning.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a Quiz to check your understanding of punctuation essentials

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 5: RUN-ON SENT ENCES AND CAPITALIZATION

Study: Run-on Sentences and Capitalization

Learn to identify and fix run-on sentences and common errors in capitalization.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 6: SENT ENCE FRAGMENTS

Study: Sentence Fragments

Learn how to recognize and fix sentence fragments.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 7 points

LESSON 7: LANGUAGE ARTS SKILLS: MECHANICS WRAP-UP

Test (CS): Language Arts Skills: Mechanics

Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 50 points

UNIT 3: LANGUAGE ARTS SKILLS: GRAMMAR AND USAGE

LESSON 1: GRAMMAR: PARTS OF SPEECH

Study: Parts of Speech

Review grammar fundamentals and learn how to identify and construct sentences and clauses.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to check your understanding of parts of speech.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 2: GRAMMAR: PARTS OF SENTENCES

Study: Parts of Sentences

Review subjects, verbs, objects, and complements; deepen your knowledge of word groups.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of parts of sentences.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 3: GRAMMAR: VERBS

Study: Verbs

Review standard subject-verb combinations and develop your understanding of more complex agreement scenarios.

Learn about irregular verbs, verb endings, tense, and mood.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of subject-verb agreement and verb usage.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 4: GRAMMAR: VERB TENSE

Study: Verb Tense

Learn about consistency of verb tense.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 8 points

LESSON 5: GRAMMAR REVIEW

Study: Language Review: Verbs and Verbals

Review skills necessary for handling verbs and their derivatives.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 8 points

LESSON 6: GRAMMAR: PRONOUNS

Study: Pronouns

Practice control of pronoun-antecedent agreement, pronoun reference, and pronoun case.

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of pronouns.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 7: GRAMMAR: UNCLEAR PRONOUNS

Study: Grammar: Unclear Pronouns

Learn more about using pronouns.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 8 points

LESSON 8: GRAMMAR: ADJECTIVES AND ADVERBS

Study: Adjectives and Adverbs

Use adverbs and adjectives wisely and well; navigate superlatives, comparatives, and double negatives.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of adjectives and adverbs.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 9: GRAMMAR: MODIFIERS

Study: Modifiers

Troubleshoot issues with modifiers, such as misplaced phrases and clauses, awkwardly placed modifiers, dangling modifiers, and split infinitives.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of modifiers.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 10: GRAMMAR: CLAUSES

Study: Grammar: Clauses

Learn about main and subordinate clauses and how they are used in simple, compound, and complex sentences. Learn about coordination and subordination. Discover ways to enhance your personal writing style through sentence variety.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 11: GRAMMAR: PARALLEL STRUCTURE

Study: Grammar: Parallel Structure

Learn how to achieve parallel structure in your writing.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 12: LANGUAGE ART'S SKILLS: GRAMMAR AND USAGE WRAP-UP

Test (CS): Language Arts Skills: Grammar and Usage

Take a computer-scored test to check what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 50 points

UNIT 4: WRITING: ESSENTIALS

LESSON 1: PURPOSE AND AUDIENCE

Study: Learn the Skills

Learn how to shift your writing because of purpose and audience.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Test Your Understanding

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 10 points

Checkup: Check Your Knowledge

Check your understanding of the skills from the study and get instant feedback.

Duration: 0 hrs 35 mins Scoring: 0 points

Practice: Purpose and Audience

Practice your new skills from the study and get instant feedback.

Duration: 0 hrs 35 mins Scoring: 20 points

Quiz: Test Your Understanding

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 2: ESSAY ESSENTIALS

Study: Essay Essentials I

Learn about the basic structure of an essay.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Study: Essay Essentials II

Learn about essay development and support.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to check your understanding of essay development and support.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 3: STYLE: MAKING LANGUAGE MORE EXACT

Study: Making Language More Exact

Learn how to substitute passive and "to be" verbs with active alternatives; consider the impact of concrete nouns on the clarity of your prose.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to check your understanding of active verbs and exact language.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 4: STYLE: CONCISION AND PRECISION

Study: Concision and Precision

Learn to battle wordiness in your writing and to create crisp, tightly constructed prose.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of concision and precision.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 5: STYLE: PARALLELISM IN SENTENCE STYLE

Study: Parallelism in Sentence Style

Learn to maintain clarity in your writing by controlling paired ideas, repeated words, and items in a series.

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of parallelism.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 6: STYLE: APPROPRIATE LANGUAGE

Study: Appropriate Language

Learn to control jargon, pretentious language, slang, and other forms of language that have the potential to offend or exclude.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of appropriate language.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 7: STYLE: SENTENCE EMPHASIS AND VARIETY

Study: Sentence Emphasis and Variety

Learn about coordinating and subordinating ideas and to eliminate choppy sentences from your writing.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of sentence emphasis and variety.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 8: STYLE: FIGURATIVE LANGUAGE

Study: Figurative Language

Learn to adopt originality in figurative language and to avoid clichés.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of figurative language.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 9: STYLE: DENOTATIVE AND CONNOTATIVE LANGUAGE

Study: Denotative and Connotative Language

Learn to compress meaning through connotative language; use an online dictionary and thesaurus to improve diction and style.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of denotative and connotative language.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 10: STYLE: TONE, FORMALITY, AND INFORMALITY

Study: Tone, Formality, and Informality

Learn to manage tone and adopt appropriate levels of formality in your writing.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of tone, formality, and informality.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 11: WRITING: ESSENTIALS WRAP-UP

Test (CS): Writing: Essentials

Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 50 points

UNIT 5: WRITING: NARRATIVE

LESSON 1: GET EXCITED ABOUT WRITING!

Study: Wake Up Your Senses: Vivid Detail

Observe the way details "wake up" written descriptions, especially when they focus on the experience of our senses.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understanding the Study

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Journal: The Spy's Notebook: Observations in the Senses

Write details using observations from all five senses for possible later use in stories or poetry. (Optional: Take it one step further and use your most compelling observations to write a paragraph or poem.)

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 20 points

LESSON 2: WHO ARE YOU ANYWAY? DEVELOPING A CHARACTER

Study: Diving into Fiction: Characters and How Writers Read

Explore the use of character in fiction and observe reading methods that can sharpen your own writing technique.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understanding the Study

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Read: Getting to Know You: Characters in Prose

Observe and explore descriptions of characters in prose writing through guided close reading.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understanding the Reading

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Characters Inside and Out

Explore ways to create interesting characters using details, direct and indirect characterization, and suggested motivation.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understanding the Study

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Practice: Character Sketch

Create a character using details, direct and indirect characterization, and suggested motivation.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 25 points

LESSON 3: WHO'S ON FIRST? ESTABLISHING A POINT OF VIEW

Study: First, Second, and Third Person

Explore the craft tools of first-, second-, and third-person point of view.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understanding the Study

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Omniscient, Limited, and Stream-of-Consciousness Narration

Explore omniscient, limited, and stream-of-consciousness narration.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understanding the Study

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Read: Can I Read Your Mind? Narrative Perspective in Prose Writing

Observe and explore the use of point of view and narrative perspective in prose writing through guided close reading.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understanding the Reading

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 4: STABLE AND SHIFTING VANTAGE POINTS

Study: Stable and Shifting Vantage Points: Psychic Distance

Explore the ways in which psychic distance (linguistic register) infers tone in writing.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understanding the Study

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: You Can Count on Me!

Explore the use of unreliable and reliable narrators in fiction.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Understanding the Study

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

Practice: Short Scene with Character and POV

Create your own scene using character and active choices about point of view and narrative perspective.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 40 points

LESSON 5: WRITING: NARRATIVE WRAP-UP

Test (CS): Writing: Narrative

Take a computer-scored test to check what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 50 points

UNIT 6: WRITING: INFORMATIVE AND EXPLANATORY TEXT

LESSON 1: COMPOSITION: EXAMPLE AND ILLUSTRATION PARAGRAPHS

Study: Writing Example Paragraphs

Identify the structure of an example paragraph; practice composing paragraphs correctly.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a guiz to check your understanding of example forms of composition.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Writing Illustration Paragraphs

Identify the structure of an illustration paragraph; practice composing paragraphs correctly.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to check your understanding of illustration forms of composition.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 2: COMPOSITION: PROCESS AND CAUSE-AND-EFFECT PARAGRAPHS

Study: Writing Process Paragraphs

Consider a process that needs explaining; practice the fundamentals of writing about a process.

Take a quiz to check your understanding of process paragraphs.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Writing Cause-and-Effect Paragraphs

Understand the structure of cause-and-effect writing and practice composing.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to check your understanding of process and cause-and-effect paragraphs.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 3: WRITING PRACTICE

Practice: Submit Your Composition

Write and submit a process or cause-and-effect paragraph.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 4: COMPOSITION: DESCRIPTION AND CLASSIFICATION/DIVISION PARAGRAPHS

Study: Writing Description Paragraphs

Improve your ability to write effective descriptions.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of description paragraphs.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Writing Classification and Division Paragraphs

Review the structure of both classification and division paragraphs; practice composing them on your own.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of classification and division paragraphs.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 5: WRITING PRACTICE

Practice: Submit Your Composition

Write and submit a description or classification/division paragraph.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 6: COMPOSITION: WRITING ABOUT A PROCESS

Study: Writing About a Process

Learn how to write a process essay.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 15 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 7: COMPOSITION: COMPARE-AND-CONTRAST ESSAYS

Study: Writing Compare-and-Contrast Essays

Learn different ways of organizing compare-and-contrast essays.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the structure of compare-and-contrast writing.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Practice Writing Compare-and-Contrast Essays

Practice developing paragraphs in a compare-and-contrast essay.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

LESSON 8: WRITING PRACTICE

Practice: Submit Your Composition

Write and submit a compare-and-contrast essay.

Duration: 1 hr 30 mins Scoring: 100 points

LESSON 9: WRITING: INFORMATIVE AND EXPLANATORY TEXT WRAP-UP

Test (CS): Writing: Informative and Explanatory Text

Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 50 points

UNIT 7: WRITING: PERSUASIVE

LESSON 1: COMPOSITION: PERSUASIVE WRITING ESSAYS

Study: Writing Persuasive Essays

Learn about the hallmarks of effective persuasive writing.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of persuasive writing.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Practice Writing Persuasive Essays

Practice techniques for persuasive writing; learn to develop a persuasive essay.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

LESSON 2: WRITING PRACTICE

Practice: Submit Your Composition

Write and submit a persuasive essay.

Duration: 1 hr 30 mins Scoring: 100 points

LESSON 3: OPINIONS AND SPEECHES

Study: Writing Workshop: Op-Ed and Speeches

Learn the basics of writing an op-ed piece and a persuasive speech, and learn the similarities between the two.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 0 points

Quiz: Writing Workshop: Op-Ed and Speeches

Take a quiz to check your understanding of what you have learned.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 10 points

Practice: Stating Your Opinion

Write an op-ed or a speech based on what you have learned.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 4: WRITING: PERSUASIVE WRAP-UP

Test (CS): Writing: Persuasive

Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 50 points

UNIT 8: WRITING: OTHER TYPES

LESSON 1: COMPOSITION: WRITING ESSAYS ABOUT LITERATURE

Study: Responding to Literature Prompts

Learn question/prompt analysis techniques, as well as tried-and-true methods for writing thesis and topic-sentence architecture on literature-based essay questions.

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of how to respond to literature-based prompts.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Structuring and Developing a Literary Analysis

Practice paragraph development and sustained analysis of a literary passage; review techniques for summarizing and paraphrasing literature.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

LESSON 2: WRITING PRACTICE

Practice: Submit Your Composition

Write and submit an essay about a work of literature.

Duration: 1 hr 30 mins Scoring: 100 points

LESSON 3: COMPOSITION: LETTERS AND MEMOS

Study: Writing a Business Letter and Memo

Learn formats for different types of business correspondence.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Assess Your Understanding

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of business correspondence.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Using E-mail in a Business Environment

Examine the role of e-mail in the workplace; practice effective and appropriate written communication using e-mail.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

LESSON 4: WRITING PRACTICE

Practice: Submit Your Composition

Write and submit an example of business correspondence.

Duration: 1 hr 30 mins Scoring: 100 points

LESSON 5: BIOGRAPHIES AND INTERVIEWS

Study: Writing Workshop

Learn the basics of researching someone's life and writing a biography.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 6: TECHNICAL WRITING

Study: Understanding Technical Manuals

Learn strategies for reading technical manuals.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Project: Write a Manual

Write a manual for use by other students. The topic of your manual can be conflict resolution in school or in the workplace, how to run an effective meeting, or how to submit a page for a yearbook (or any other process with which you have some basic understanding and experience). Design a manual's cover, plan its scope, and design its format.

Duration: 2 hrs

LESSON 7: WRITING: OTHER TYPES WRAP-UP

Test (CS): Writing: Other Types

Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 50 points

UNIT 9: WRITING: RESEARCH

LESSON 1: INTRODUCTION: RESEARCH ESSAY

Study: Introduction to the Research Essay

Learn about the fundamental characteristics and functions of the research essay.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Asking and Refining Questions

Think about how to refine and ask questions to use as the basis of your research.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 10 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 2: THE RESEARCH PROCESS, PART I

Study: Finding, Evaluating, and Interpreting Source Material

Learn to find, evaluate, and interpret sources in order to answer your research questions.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Compiling and Organizing Information

Learn how to make sense of the information that you gather in the research process.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Writing Workshop: Writing an Outline

Write an outline for your research essay.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study

Take a guiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Practice: Research Outline

Submit your outline.

Duration: 1 hr 30 mins Scoring: 50 points

LESSON 3: THE RESEARCH PROCESS, PART II

Study: Synthesizing and Drawing Conclusions

Think about how to use the information you have gathered to answer your research questions.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins

Quiz: Comprehending the Study

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

Study: Documentation

Learn how to document your sources in bibliographies and works-cited lists.

Quiz: Comprehending the Study

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 10 points

LESSON 4: WRITING: RESEARCH WRAP-UP

Test (CS): Writing: Research

Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 50 points

UNIT 10: REVIEW AND EXAM

LESSON 1: REVIEW AND EXAM

Exam: Semester Exam

Take a computer-scored exam to demonstrate your mastery of concepts and skills covered in this course.

Duration: 1 hr 20 mins Scoring: 200 points