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Opinion of a Topic

Lesson 1 Quick Review

Which describes a possible purpose for Opinion Writing?

- A. To explain why you think what you do
- B. To tell a story
- C. To summarize an article

Which describes Opinion Writing?

- A. It tells a story about the writer.
- B. It makes a claim and supports it with evidence.
- C. It classifies information.

For Opinion Writing, the first step is to choose one clear topic.

- True
- False

Answers: A, B, True

Lesson 2 Quick Review

Complete the sentences with the terms listed below.

presents information without feelings or opinions.

sources is important when preparing an Objective Summary.

is the one of the Six Traits that fits with "objective voice".

Objective Summary

Voice

Documenting

Which questions are good to ask in presenting different viewpoints for an Objective Summary?

- A. What do they think?
- B. Why do they think that?
- C. Did I accurately summarize both sides of the argument?
- D. All of the above.

Which question is good to consider when writing an Objective Summary?

- A. Did I clearly state my opinion?
- B. Did I accurately summarize without my own feelings or thoughts?
- C. Did I include my feelings?

Answers: Objective Summary, Documenting, Voice, D, B

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Lesson 3 Quick Review

Why is "establishing a clear claim" addressed by the Six Trait of Idea?

- A. It includes everyone's idea
- B. It clearly establishes your stance on the topic and drives the whole paper.
- C. The reader has to figure out the idea behind the claim.

Which best describes a "claim"?

- A. A belief about a topic based on weak reasons.
- B. A belief about a topic based on random reasons.
- C. A belief about a topic based on strong reasons.

Which of the following questions would be good to ask when writing a claim?

- A. What do I think about this issue?
- B. Why do I think that?
- C. Is there enough evidence to support my idea?
- D. All of the above.

If the writer has established a clear claim, the reader will understand where you stand on the issue.

- True
- False

Supporting evidence is important to supporting a topic sentence.

- True
- False

Answers: B, C, D, True, True

Lesson 4 Quick Review

Complete the sentences with the terms listed below.

presents facts, reasons, and details that support the topic sentence.

is one of the Six Traits that addresses the topic sentence.

A is the first part of a paragraph that summarizes the main idea.

Organization

Supporting evidence

Topic sentence

Which of the following is NOT a question to consider when reviewing your outline?

- A. Does my topic sentence provide the reader with a clear idea about what I will present in the paragraph?
- B. Did I use all my notes?
- C. Does my supporting evidence support my overall claim?

It's important to organize into an outline to support a claim.

- True
- False

Answers: Supporting evidence, Organization, Topic sentence, B, True

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Lesson 5 Quick Review

Complete the sentences with the terms listed below.

is the person or persons who are intended to read your writing.

refute or argue an opponent's claim.

are opposing arguments.

Rebuttals

Audience

Counterclaims

Understanding your audience will influence how you write.

- True
- False

It is important to show your audience that you have considered all sides in presenting a claim.

- True
- False

True: Audience, Rebuttal, Counterclaims, True, True

Lesson 6 Quick Review

Complete the sentences with the terms listed below.

addresses Engaging the Reader because it is a strategy used in the first paragraph.

is a strategy that grabs the reader's attention and keeps them reading.

is an Engaging the Reader strategy.

Shocking statement

Organization

Engages the reader

Which question is NOT necessary in considering your Engaging the Reader strategy?

- A. Did I effectively introduce the topic?
- B. Which strategy will be most effective and why?
- C. Have I included enough Engaging the Reader strategies?

Which Engaging the Reader strategy presents descriptive words that introduce the topic, situation, or narrator?

- A. Anecdote strategy
- B. List strategy
- C. Question strategy

Answers: Organization, Engages the reader, Shocking statement, C, B

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Lesson 7 Quick Review

Which of the following questions are best to ask during revision of Opinion writing?

- A. Did I include my opinion?
- B. Should I change the introduction?
- C. Are my thoughts clear?
- D. All of the above.

It is best to write a rough draft before creating an outline.

- True
- False

A rough draft does not need to be perfect because it can be revised later.

- True
- False

After writing an outline, what step comes next?

- A. Research
- B. Comparing outlines with a peer
- C. Writing a rough draft

Which is the best approach to revision?

- A. Revise only once.
- B. Revise only after receiving a grade from the teacher.
- C. Consider revisions throughout the writing process.

Answers: D, False, True, C, C

Lesson 8 Quick Review

Complete the sentences with the terms listed below.

Because it deals with the end of the paper, the conclusion is addressed by the Six Trait of .

A is the last part of a written piece that brings closure.

A concluding strategy that makes an assertive statement about a claim is called a .

strong statement

Organization

conclusion

For each genre of writing, there is only one type of conclusion.

- True
- False

Which of the following questions does NOT apply to thinking about how to write a conclusion?

- A. What is the best way to wrap up my writing?
- B. How many concluding strategies should I use in my conclusion?
- C. What point do I really want to make that will drive my opinion home?

Answers: Organization, Conclusion, Strong Statement, False, B

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Lesson 9 Quick Review

Complete the sentences with the terms listed below.

is one of the Six Traits of Writing that addresses reasons and evidence.

uses facts and statistics to prove or disprove something.

are thoughts or ideas that support a claim.

Evidence

Reasons

Idea

Which of the following is an example of supporting a claim with reasons and evidence?

- A. A healthy diet should be a choice.
- B. A healthy diet improves your skin and hair, digestive system, heart health, and reduces risk of diseases.
- C. A healthy diet is worth attention.

There's a difference between strong and weak reasons.

- True
- False

Answers: Idea, Evidence, Reasons, B, True

Lesson 10 Quick Review

It is important to include evidence and reasons to clarify and support an opinion for the reader.

- True
- False

Which of the following pertains to academic language?

- A. It shows you are smarter than people think.
- B. It shows an awareness of audience.
- C. It shows the reader that you know how to use a dictionary.

Which of the following does NOT pertain to a reason to use academic language?

- A. The audience may not have any background knowledge in the subject area.
- B. It gives the writer more authority on the subject.
- C. It helps organize your thoughts.

Which of the following are NOT examples of discipline-specific terms?

- A. Percent, decimal, equilateral
- B. Gravity, atom, cell
- C. Hard work, rules, detention

Discipline-specific language would apply to writing about a scientific issue.

- True
- False

Answers: True, B, C, C, True

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Lesson 11 Quick Review

Complete the sentences with the terms listed below.

helps the flow of writing from one sentence to another.

can be applied by using different parts of speech.

are words or phrases that help tie ideas together.

Transitions

Sentence Fluency

Varied sentence beginnings

Which of the following list of words can be used as transitions?

- A. Transit, bus, taxi
- B. One, two, three
- C. First, however, although

Which of the following is an example of using an adjective before "students" to vary a sentence beginning?

- A. Next
- B. Also
- C. Excited

Answers: Sentence Fluency, Varied Sentence Beginnings, Transitions, C, C

Lesson 12 Quick Review

Which of the following does NOT need to be considered during revision?

- A. Changing the text
- B. Adding, subtracting, or moving words
- C. Keeping the text the same

Which of the following applies to editing?

- A. Writing a rough draft
- B. Correcting grammar, spelling, and punctuation
- C. The process of revision

Revision is different from editing because it focuses on the content and big ideas of writing.

- True
- False

Which of the following applies to revision?

- A. Taking your time
- B. Fixing capitalization errors
- C. Spelling checks

Working with a partner is NOT recommended during the revision process.

- True
- False

Answers: C, B, True, A, False

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Lesson 13 Quick Review

During the editing process, it is a good idea to look for .

Editing deals with .

Correcting punctuation and grammar errors is part of the .

No Excuse spelling words

editing process

surface details

It is helpful to use an editing checklist during the editing process.

- True
- False

Editing should happen before revision.

- True
- False

Answers: No Excuse Spelling Words, Surface Details, Editing Process, True, False