



Expository Writing

Name _____

Expository Writing: How To

Here are a few guidelines to remember.

Expository writing is used to:

- describe
- inform
- explain

Expository writing samples include:

- autobiographies
- biographies
- informational reports
- news reports
- research reports

The Introductory Paragraph Should:

- be catchy and make the reader want to read it
- be very clear about the topic
- provide good details in the last sentence that lead into the next paragraph

The body—3 -5 paragraphs:

- each paragraph should focus on one of your key points and should develop that key point, the final sentence of that key point should lead into the next point which will become your next paragraph
- each paragraph will need an introductory sentence, each paragraph needs to stay on topic

The body—3 -5 paragraphs:

- each paragraph should focus on one of your key points
- always stay on topic
- be sure to use great vocabulary, keep your reader engaged
- be sure to back up all of your key points with supporting detail(s)

The Conclusion:

- the conclusion is your final paragraph, it is where you re-state your topic
- be sure to summarize all of your topics in each paragraph
- finish with pizzazz! Leave your reader pleased and satisfied