

OVERVIEW

CONTENT AREA: Special Education- English

[Expository Writing](#)

MATERIALS:

Computer or iphone

INSTRUCTIONS:

The English teacher's in the special education department at Big Sky High School adopted the writing curriculum "Step Up to Writing" years ago. Since then we have spent much time scaffolding the elements of the curriculum and creating formal and informal assessments to enhance this program.. Students are first introduced to the main organizational structure of expository/explanatory writing, the elements in each part, and then are taught to make connection between the elements and specific colors. After a two week introductory lesson on expository writing, I would check for understanding by scheduling the students to take a quiz in the computer lab using Google Docs. My quiz was made from the Forms.

Step 1: Introductory Lesson on Google Presentation

Step 2: Writing a paragraph on Google Docs Form

Step 3: Taking a quiz on Google Docs Form

RESOURCES

Step Up To Writing: Writing Curriculum

Samples of expository essays and papers that have been color-coded

RUBRIC: No rubric, only grading scale for Quiz

STANDARDS

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.9-10.2

Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.9-10.2.A

Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables) and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension

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