Expository Writing Assessment

True or False

1. The purpose of expository writing is to convince someone to agree with your viewpoint or cause. FALSE

Correct feedback: Yes, this answer is false. The purpose of expository writing is to inform the reader.

Incorrect feedback: Nice try! This answer is false. The purpose of expository writing is to inform the reader. Please review the expository writing module.

2. It is important for students to find topics they know about when beginning expository writing. TRUE

Correct feedback: Yes, this answer is true. It is important for students to find topics they know about when beginning expository writing.

Incorrect feedback: Nice try! This answer is true. It is important for students to find topics they know about when beginning expository writing. Please review the expository writing module.

3. Graphic organizers are an effective way to plan expository writing. TRUE

Correct feedback: Yes, this answer is true. Graphic organizers are an effective way to plan expository writing.

Incorrect feedback: Nice try! This answer is true. Graphic organizers are an effective way to plan expository writing. Please review the expository writing module.

Multiple Choice

- 4. Which of the following is a purpose of Expository Writing?
 - a. tells a story.
 - b. provides factual information to describe, sequence or compare.
 - c. put forward a point of view or justify a position.
 - d. none of the above

Correct feedback: Yes, providing factual information to describe, sequence or compare is the purpose of expository writing.

Incorrect feedback: Nice try! Providing factual information to describe, sequence or compare is the purpose of expository writing. Please review the expository writing module.

- 5. Why is it important to engage in expository writing?
 - a. Share expertise with others and develop self-confidence and self-esteem.
 - b. Develop an understanding of a topic of study.
 - c. Enhance vocabulary, visual literacy, and the use of technology.
 - d. Demonstrate ability to write in different text forms.
 - e. all of the above

Correct feedback: Yes, all of the choices listed above are reasons why it's important to engage in expository writing.

Incorrect feedback: Nice try! All of the choices listed above are reasons why it's important to engage in expository writing. Please review the expository writing module.

- 6. All of the following are useful skills for writing an expository piece except:
 - a. The writer provides supporting details.
 - b. The writer includes engaging dialogue between characters.
 - c. The writer organizes the body of the text.
 - d. The writer crafts clear main ideas.

Correct feedback: Yes, engaging dialogue between characters is not usually a useful skill for expository writing.

Incorrect feedback: Nice try! Engaging dialogue between characters is not usually a useful skill for expository writing. Please review the expository writing module.

- 7. Which of the following is not a purpose of expository writing?
 - a. tell a story
 - b. explain
 - c. describe
 - d. instruct

Correct feedback: Yes, telling a story is not a purpose of expository writing.

Incorrect feedback: Nice try! Telling a story is not a purpose of expository writing. Please review the expository writing module.

Fill in the Blank

8. What are some examples of detail generating questions writers can ask themselves and each other to develop their expository pieces?

What does it look/sound/feel/taste/smell/seem like?

Why is that important (for your main idea)?

Is each detail in a separate sentence?

Did you give specific examples? (avoid words like stuff and things)

Correct feedback: Yes, examples of detail generating question may include: What does it look/sound/feel/taste/smell/seem like? Why is that important (for your main idea)? Is each detail in a separate sentence? Did you give specific examples? (avoid words like stuff and things) to name a few.

Incorrect feedback: Nice try! Examples of detail generating question may include: What does it look/sound/feel/taste/smell/seem like? Why is that important (for your main idea)? Is each detail in a separate sentence? Did you give specific examples? (avoid words like stuff and things) to name a few. Please review the expository writing module.