

Informative Writing Reference Sheet

Focusing

- Read the prompt.
- Think about what the prompt is asking you to do.
- Read the provided text.
- Think about key issues in the text that will help you fulfill the purpose of writing your opinion.

Pre-writing

- Think about the task and purpose for writing.
- Think of your topic statement and supporting facts and details.
- Remember to use the text to support your ideas.
- Use a pre-writing technique (brainstorming, webbing, drawing, outlining) to plan how you will organize your ideas for the introduction, body paragraphs, and conclusion of your essay.

Drafting

- Type your essay in the text box provided.
- Be sure to choose words that create a tone appropriate to the task.

Reviewing

 Reread your response to correct any errors that interfere with your ability to communicate your ideas to the audience.

When writing my informative essay, did I...

- provide relevant information to introduce the topic?
- clearly state the topic?
- support ideas with relevant facts, details, and examples by quoting, summarizing, and/or paraphrasing?
- use text evidence to support the topic?
- maintain a clear focus?
- use words and phrases to connect ideas?
- provide a logical conclusion?