

Writing Essays → Types of Essays

Level: Middle School

*Different types of essays help you get your point across in different ways. The **expository essay** explains, defines, or gives information. They are factual essays and are written without emotion. It is always written in third person. The pronouns **I, me, we, us,** or even **you** are never used unless otherwise instructed.*

Plan an expository essay by answering the questions below.

1. The writers of expository essays are often trying to explain a point. About what topic do **you** feel like you are enough of an expert to explain?
2. You will need three facts to support your explanation. What facts will you use in your essay?
3. You will need a strong closing to tie up the essay. What will that closing be?

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