

ESSAY OUTLINE WORKSHEET #3:

NAME: _____

EXPOSITORY

EXPOSITORY ESSAYS ON THE CAHSEE

Expository essays provide information and explanations. When you write a research report or an essay on what you did over the summer vacation, you are writing an expository essay. On the CAHSEE, you may be given a topic and asked to explain its importance. You will be expected to provide details that are relevant (tied) to both the topic and your thesis statement.

Like a **persuasive** essay, you need to demonstrate to the reader, through **specific** details and examples, why your topic is important. The only difference between an expository essay and a persuasive essay is that you needn't address any counter-arguments.

OVERVIEW

Use the RUBRIC/DIRECTIONS below to help you create an outline for the CAHSEE Expository Essay Prompt attached below.

This time, you have not been given an outline. You will be making your own! Remember, on the CAHSEE you won't have the luxury of being given something to help you organize your writing, so you need to start creating your own organization structures.

That being said, your outline must satisfy the following requirements...

RUBRIC/DIRECTIONS

Step 1: OPINION	Step 2: EVIDENCE	Step 3: THESIS	Step 4: CLAIM	Step 5: PARAGRAPH
State your initial opinion response for the prompt.	Select 3 pieces of evidence for your opinion and list them.	Take your initial opinion and 3 pieces of evidence and combine into 1 complete sentence that answers the question.	Create 3 claims (in complete sentences) for each of your body paragraphs.	Choose one of the claims you created in Step 4 and write a complete CELEL paragraph.
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EXAMPLE PROMPT

A person who seems in charge of every situation is sometimes called a "natural leader." People often look to such a person to lead them in projects both great and small. Describe someone you have read about who seems to be a "natural leader."

Write an essay in which you describe the person and his or her accomplishments so vividly that your readers will feel they know this person.

EXAMPLE PROMPT

Think about historical figures you have found interesting or intriguing. If you could have dinner with any famous person from the past, whom would you choose and why? What would you talk about? What would you want to ask him or her?

Write a composition that explains why you would like to meet this person and what you would want to ask him or her.

SELECT ONE OF THE CLAIMS YOU CREATED AND WRITE OUT A CELEL PARAGRAPH THAT WOULD CORRESPOND WITH THAT CLAIM. [NOTE: For the CAHSEE, your evidence can be ANECDOTAL... no quotes because there is no text to quote from!]

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