

Types of Essays



Narrative Essays

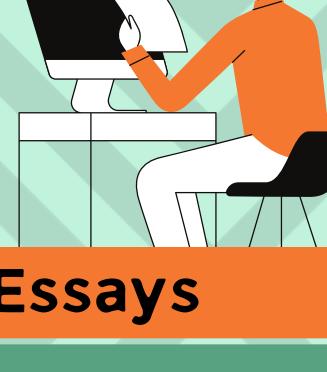
Allow writers to tell a story, usually from a personal point of view.

- Structured in chronological order
- Engages the reader with vivid storytelling
- Conveys personal experiences

Descriptive Essays

Specialize in creating a detailed illustration of a person, place, event, or object.

- Uses sensory details for vivid imagery
- Focuses on differentiating fine details of the subject
- Paints a picture through words



Memoir Essays

A nuanced subgenre of narrative essays that explore the writer's personal experiences and reflections.

- Includes autobiographical elements
- Reflects on past events and their profound impact
- Connects individual experiences to universal truths
- Invites readers into a journey of self-discovery



Compare and Contrast Essays

Focuses on analyzing two or more subjects by comparing their similarities and contrasting their differences.

- Establishes a basis for comparison
- Leads to a meaningful argument about the subjects



Cause and Effect Essays

Require the writer to examine an event or situation and determine the causes and the effects.

- Shows how phenomena relate in terms of origins and results
- Provides a logical chain of events culminating in a specific result

Persuasive Essays

Aim to convince readers to accept a specific viewpoint or to take a particular action.

- Uses sound reasoning, conclusions, and arguments
- Presents persuasive language and credible evidence to support the position



Argumentative Essays

Written to defend a position on a particular issue using evidence and persuasion.

- Argues in favor of the thesis while refuting counterarguments
- Structured well and substantiated with concrete evidence