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Worksheet No: 13	Topic: Essay Writing	Note: To be done in the notebook

Definition

An essay is a short piece of writing about one main idea. It has three main parts: an introduction, a body, and a conclusion. An essay is a focused piece of writing designed to inform or persuade. The different types of essays are: -



1. Narrative essay

A narrative essay is a type of writing that involves telling a story, often based on personal experiences. It is a form of creative nonfiction that allows you to use storytelling techniques to convey a message or a theme.

2. Descriptive essay

A descriptive essay aims to provide an immersive experience for the reader by using sensory descriptors. Unlike a narrative essay, which tells a story, a descriptive essay has a narrower scope and focuses on one particular aspect of a story.

3. Argumentative essay

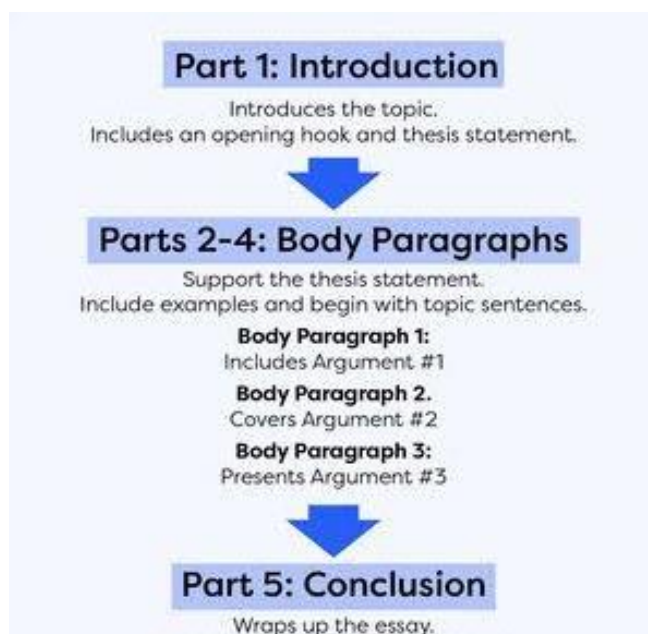
An argumentative essay is a type of essay that aims to persuade the reader to adopt a particular stance based on factual evidence and is one of the most common forms of college essays.

4. Expository essays

An expository essay is a common format used in school and college exams to assess your understanding of a specific topic. The purpose of an expository essay is to present and explore a topic thoroughly without taking any particular stance or expressing personal opinions.

FORMAT

TITLE



1. **Introduction:** Starts with a hook, gives background info, and ends with a strong thesis statement.
2. **Body (not 3 paras):** Contains a clear topic sentence, supporting facts or quotes, and an explanation of how the evidence proves the point.
3. **Conclusion:** Restates the thesis in a new way, summarizes main points, and leaves a final thought.

Sample Essay

Q1. Write a short narrative essay in 200-250 words about a time you faced pressure or a difficult challenge during a sport or activity. Describe what happened and explain, what that experience taught you about hard work or focus.

The Final Whistle

The afternoon sun beat down on the dusty soccer field, and my legs felt like lead. We were tied 1–1 with only two minutes left on the clock in the championship game. As the midfielder for the Thunderbolts, I knew this was our last chance to win. Sweat dripped down my forehead, but I kept my eyes locked on the ball, refusing to give up.

Suddenly, my teammate Sarah intercepted a pass near the center line. She looked up, made eye contact with me, and kicked a beautiful, soaring pass right into my path. Time seemed to

slow down. I sprinted past the opponent's tallest defender, feeling the grass crunch beneath my cleats. The goalie rushed forward out of the net to block me, making herself look as big as a brick wall. With one quick decision, I tapped the ball with the inside of my foot, sending it rolling toward the bottom right corner of the goal. The ball slipped just past the goalie's diving fingertips and hit the back of the net. The referee blew his whistle three times, signaling the end of the match.

My teammates swarmed me in a giant hug, shouting and celebrating our victory. Looking back, that game taught me that hard work and staying focused under pressure can pay off in the end.

Exercises:

1. Write an essay in 250 words on how sleep affects a student's memory, concentration, and academic performance, using scientific evidence to support your points.
2. Write an essay in 250 words on how has the rise of emojis, abbreviations, and short-form messaging changed the way teenagers express emotions compared to previous generations.
