

First Day Writing Assessment

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List Other ENG or ESL Courses You Have Taken: _____

Essay Topic: What are your reasons for attending college? You may be just starting, or you may have been going to school for a while. Either way, discuss the reasons for your current pursuit of higher education.

Directions: Write your essay on a separate sheet of paper. We strongly encourage you to take the time to do some planning before you begin to write (for example, making a sketch outline, listing ideas, etc.). Feel free to use this paper for any kind of notes you may want to make before you start to write (like in math, it's OK to show your work). Likewise, it is also OK to edit and make corrections. An edited draft may be better than a perfectly neat one.

Finally, you should know that we will look at the whole piece to see how effective it is. Usually, an effective piece of writing has the following characteristics, which you should consider when planning and writing your paper:

- a focused main idea
- several points in support
- specific details as evidence
- clear connections (transitions) between points
- well-formed paragraphs and sentences
- appropriate word choice, grammar, and mechanics

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