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The Teaching of Writing
Writing Prompt 1: Defining the teaching of writing

Answer the questions based on what you believe about teaching writing. Be prepared to discuss this in class.

1. Define teaching writing (cite sources you used)

Teaching writing is a process that has various steps for effective writing. The steps are

Prewriting: brainstorming, planning, and gathering information

Drafting: putting the ideas in a preliminary form

Revising: improving content, organizing, and clarification of the writing

Editing: refining writing, correcting, and polishing grammar, mechanics, and style

Publishing: sharing the writing with an audience

Teaching Writing as Process. (2022, December 6). Writing.

<https://writing.dartmouth.edu/teaching/first-year-writing-pedagogies-methods-design/teaching-writing-process>

2. What do you think is effective teaching of writing? What would it involve?

Effective teaching of writing involves more than just assigning tasks and correcting errors. When students learn to write from their hearts and minds, they can acquire skills that will benefit them in the future and understand the importance of writing. It would involve teaching the writing process patiently at their own pace. Teaching different strategies for different types of learning and writing, depending on the writing that's to be done. Giving them a reason to write helps them understand why we write and the power it holds. Providing positive and encouraging feedback.

3. What is your personal relationship with writing?

Personally, I love to write when inspiration comes naturally, rather than when I'm told to write about topics I have little interest in. Writing is how I best express myself because I can organize my thoughts on the page, which is difficult for me to do verbally. I typically don't make traditional drafts, as I lose focus, so writing directly helps me express myself more clearly.

4. What kinds of writing do you do?

I mostly write lyrics, poems, and essays from time to time.

5. What is your favorite and least favorite types of writing tasks?

My favorite type of writing is creative writing.

My least favorite types of writing are persuasive/argumentative essays, formal academic essays, and research papers.

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