

Writing an Essay Answer

- Reread the question for understanding
- Underline the important components
- Brainstorm important information
- Organize all important information
- Write a topic sentence (a topic sentence is often a restatement of the question)
- Write the body of the essay (address all components of the question)
- Write a concluding/summarizing statement to end the essay (a concluding/summarizing statement often refers back to the topic sentence or information in the body of the answer)
- Proofread the essay answer and correct any errors (i.e., spelling, grammar, punctuation, etc.)