



Writing Frames

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Write about something our keynote speaker said with which you agreed.

I agree with our keynote speaker about _____
because _____.

Session Objectives

Explore frames as a teaching tool

Look at examples of different types of frames



What are writing frames?

- a way of scaffolding
- a way of teaching academic writing structure
- a way to reduce the struggle of finding the right words in English
- a way to reduce the anxiety of trying to figure out how to start

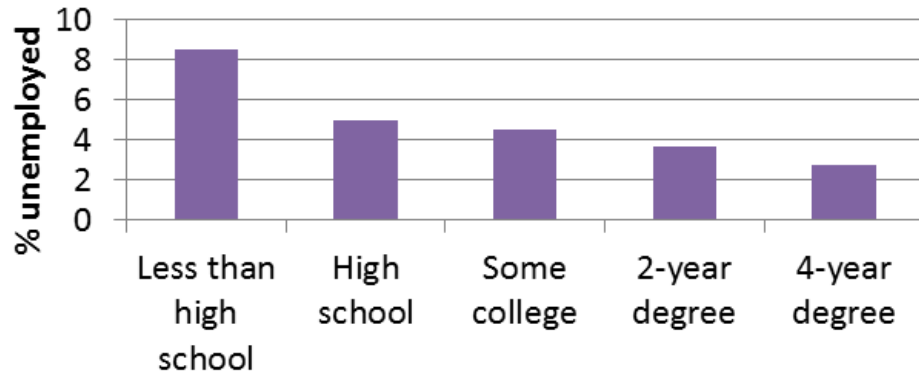
Sentence Frames

My name is _____.

_____ is a better place to live than _____
because _____.

An example

Unemployment rates of persons over 25 years old by highest level of education: 2004



- The main idea of this graph is _____.
- This graph shows that _____ are more likely unemployed than _____.
- People with a four-year degree are _____.

What they help to do

- Incorporate academic language
- Facilitate use of transition words
- Focus the writing to assist in comprehension



Multilingual bike-safety campaign gets green light

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With bicycling season in high gear, Minneapolis is launching a campaign to remind motorists and bicyclists to share the road and be safe.

Posters in English, Spanish, Somali and Hmong will carry messages such as “Safety Starts With All of Us” and “Ride Predictably.” They will be put up at 27 transit shelters throughout the city, primarily in areas where crashes involving bicyclists are frequent.

More than 3,000 crashes involving vehicles and bicycles have been reported in Minneapolis from 2000 to 2010, according to a report available at www.minneapolisismn.gov/bicycles.

The four messages to driv-

ers and cyclists are:

Safety starts with all of us: Data show that cyclists and drivers are equally responsible for bicycle-vehicle crashes in Minneapolis.

Drivers need to look for bicyclists, especially when turning: Forty percent of bicycle-vehicle crashes in Minneapolis involve a driver not yielding to a bicyclist.

Bicyclists need to follow traffic laws: One in three bicycle-vehicle crashes in Minneapolis involves a bicyclist running a red light, riding against traffic or failing to yield the right of way.

Bicycling in Minneapolis is getting safer: Even though more people use bicycles for transportation, bicycle-vehicle crashes have not increased.

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Write one or two sentence frames for this article.

1. What is your purpose for having students read this article?
2. What question would lead students to understanding?
3. What would be an acceptable one sentence answer?

Purpose

- A. main idea
- B. find a supporting detail
- C. identify the problem and/or solution
- D. writer's point of view

Possible Frames

- A. This article is about...
- B. Between ___ and ___ there were ___ bicycle/vehicle crashes in Minnesota.
- C. This article is discussing ___ and suggests ___ as a solution.
- D. When the author writes ___, he is showing that he believes both vehicles and bicycles are at fault in crashes.

Paragraph Frames

- guide
- use transitions
- encourage use of different sentence structures



Personal Writing--Beginning Writers

My favorite city is _____. It is located in the state of _____. I like _____ because _____. One of my favorite things to do is _____. I also enjoy _____.

Comparison/Contrast Example

<i>Category</i>	<i>St. Bernard</i>	<i>Newfoundland</i>
<i>Use</i>	<i>Rescue</i>	<i>Rescue</i>
<i>Height</i>	<i>Full grown males, 30"</i>	<i>Full grown males, 30"</i>
<i>Type of fur</i>	<i>smooth, dense, protects from cold</i>	<i>smooth, dense, protects from cold</i>

Difference of two types of rescue dogs.

<i>Category</i>	<i>St. Bernard</i>	<i>Newfoundland</i>
<i>Weight</i>	<i>155-170 pounds</i>	<i>140-150 pounds</i>
<i>Place of origin</i>	<i>Swiss Alps</i>	<i>Newfoundland</i>
<i>Who they help</i>	<i>Climbers and skiers</i>	<i>People in the Atlantic Ocean</i>

The ____ and the ____ are similar in several ways. Both dogs are _____. The full grown males _____. Both have _____. Although the two dogs are similar, they also have differences. The Saint Bernard _____ while the Newfound _____. They also originated from different places and help different people. The St. Bernard _____. The Newfoundland _____. Both animals are helpful to humankind. |

Adidas has created a sports shoe from garbage floating in the ocean. The new shoe is part of a project to raise awareness of the serious problem of ocean pollution. Adidas has joined forces with an organization called Parley, which is dedicated to protecting and preserving the Earth's oceans. Parley's founder Cyrill Gutsch spoke about his organization's cooperation with Adidas. He said: "Our objective is to boost public awareness and to inspire new collaborations that can contribute to protect and preserve the oceans. We are extremely proud that Adidas is joining us in this mission...to show that it is possible to turn ocean plastic into something cool."

Garbage in the ocean is a huge problem. UNESCO estimates that in 2006, there were nearly 30,000 pieces of floating plastic for every square kilometer of ocean. Plastic debris kills over a million seabirds and 100,000 marine mammals every year. Adidas used some of this plastic to make its new shoe. The sole of the sneaker is made from sustainable materials, while the upper uses recycled ocean waste. This consisted of plastic and illegal fishing nets. Adidas says it will be releasing a new shoe made from ocean waste later this year.

Complete this paragraph about the article.

The article, "Adidas to make shoes from ocean garbage," is about _____.

The Adidas company is working with Parley. Parley wants the project to _____.

Garbage in the ocean kills _____.

The Adidas shoe will be made from _____,

and it will be available _____.

Write a paragraph frame for the “Lullaby” article

All you need is love — and a lullaby

Even the Beatles would have had trouble recognizing their peppy song in the lullaby Andrea Zalkin sang to the fragile baby clutched to her chest in the neonatal unit. But there was something unintentionally poignant in the title she chose for her son: “Eight Days a Week” is more time than can fit on the calendar.

Zalkin’s baby, Hudson, born 13 weeks early, has had too little time.

As she sang, monitors showed Hudson’s heartbeat slowing and his oxygen saturation increasing. Effects like that were among the findings of a study on the use of music as medicine.

Beth Israel Medical Center in New York City led the research, conducted in 11 hospitals, which found that live music can be beneficial to prema-

ture babies. The researchers concluded that live music, played or sung, helped to slow infants’ heartbeats, calm their breathing, improve sucking behaviors, aid sleep and promote states of quiet alertness. Researchers say that by stabilizing vital signs, music can allow infants to devote more energy to normal development.

The study, published in the journal *Pediatrics*, adds to growing research on music and preterm babies. Some hospitals find music as effective as, and safer than, sedating infants before procedures like heart sonograms and brain monitoring. Some neonatologists say babies receiving music therapy leave hospitals sooner, which can aid development and family bonding and save money.

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1. Purpose of the article
2. What do you want the student to show they know
3. What type of paragraph would you write

Purpose and What I Want the Student to Show

- write a summary
- find the conclusion researchers came to
- how do you know

Possible Frame

In the article “All you need is love and a lullaby” researchers concluded _____. They found that _____. They also determined that _____. Most importantly, the study concluded _____.

Essay and Extended Response Frames--In General

- Example is a way to help students get started
- Does not lead to an especially good response, but an adequate one
- Once a writer is comfortable with the idea of this type of writing, he she can adapt and expand his/her response

Essay and Extended Response Frames--ELA

- The purpose of the GED-ELA extended response is to see if a student can analyze an argument (and explain it in written form)
- A frame should help students identify the pieces that could be in such a response

Essay and Extended Response Frames--Social Studies

- Asks students to connect a famous quote about an enduring issue to a recent writing/speech that reflects that issue

A Frame for the Prompt on Handout 5

Thomas Jefferson states _____. The letter submitted by Ms. Parsons demonstrates _____.

In the issue at hand, the United States Supreme Court _____. In some situations, such as in the case of the Jehovah's Witnesses, _____. However, it was not ruled to be _____.

There is nothing wrong with _____. It is wrong, nevertheless, _____. It resonates with Nazi _____. We as a people were appalled by these revelations, but West Virginia _____. Despite that, the Supreme Court _____.

Questions?

