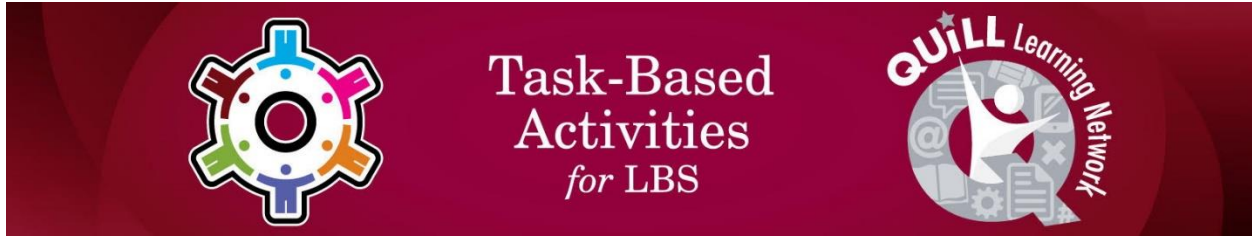


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Write an Essay to Express an Opinion About a Topic of Interest_SP_A1.3_A3_B2.3_D3



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OALCF Cover Sheet – Learner Copy

Learner Name: _____

Date Started (m/d/yyyy): _____

Date Completed (m/d/yyyy): _____

Task Description:

The Learner will express an opinion in writing and organize information in well developed paragraphs

Competency: A: Find and Use Information
B: Communicate ideas and information
D: Using Digital Technology (if essay is word processed)

Task Groups: A1: Read continuous text
A3: Extract info from films, broadcasts and presentations
B2: Write texts to explain and describe information and ideas
D: N/A

Level Indicators:

- A1.3: Read longer texts to connect, evaluate and integrate ideas and information
- A3: (Not rated for complexity)
- B2.3: Write longer texts to present information, ideas and opinions
- D.3: Experiment and problem-solve to perform multi-step digital tasks

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Materials Required:

- Pen/Pencil/Paper
- Computer with word processing software (if applicable) or copy of digitized task
- Skill-building activities – Grammar, punctuation, sentence, paragraph and essay structure; Writing sentences and paragraphs on topics; Simple research skills.

Learner Information

Write an essay of about 6 paragraphs expressing your opinion about a topic that interests you

A learner on the educational goal paths will need to be able to write essays expressing their own opinions.

Work Sheet

Task 1: Write down some topics that interest you. This is sometimes called “brain-storming”. These could be news-related (local politics, bylaws, current events) or subjects that you find interesting. The most important thing is that it is something that you have an opinion about.

Task 2: Pick a topic that you feel comfortable researching and writing your opinion about.

Task 3: Research your topic. You can use books from the library, the newspaper, videos, or an internet search. Make sure you keep track of where you are getting information.

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Task 4: Write a rough draft of an essay that expresses your opinion about the topic you have chosen.

Task 5: Write a final draft of your essay. Be sure that your essay:

- Includes an introductory paragraph that outlines the main idea and states your opinion about the topic
- Gives examples about your topic
- Backs up your opinion with as much information as possible while still being to the point
- Ensures all paragraphs relate to the main idea
- Summarizes your opinion in the last paragraph
- Has been checked in the final draft for spelling and punctuation

Task 6: If you are using the computer to type your essay, or are typing it into the space provided on the digitized task:

- Give a title to your essay
- Save your essay in an appropriate file, for example in "My Documents" or on a USB drive (if typing it into a computer program)
- Print out your essay and hand in to your instructor (if typing it into a computer program)

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Final Draft of Your Essay: