



Reading Passage

You will be asked to write an informative or expository essay for one or more of the following reasons: **1.** to explain a process step-by-step; **2.** to analyze events, ideas, written works, or objects; **3.** to tell how to do something; or **4.** to explain or describe a historical event.

You may get to choose the topic of your informative essay or your teacher might assign a topic to you. Either way, be sure that your topic is not too broad. Suppose you wanted to write about Los Angeles, California. It is a very large city and also a very broad topic. Perhaps, it might be easier to write about one part of the city such as the movie studios.

What Is an Informative Essay?



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Informative Fact-Based Essays

California Movie Studios

Hollywood is home to many of the biggest and most famous movie studios today, like Paramount Pictures, Universal Studios, Disney and Dreamworks.

Paramount Pictures is the oldest movie studio in Hollywood. Starting in 1913, Paramount has made movies like ***Indiana Jones***, ***Tomb Raider***, and ***Titanic***. In 2005, Paramount and Dreamworks came together to create some of the funniest movies. Starting in 1994, Dreamworks has brought us ***Shrek*** and ***Madagascar***.

Universal Studios is the largest movie and TV studio in the world. Starting in 1912, Universal has made the movies ***E.T.***, ***Jurassic Park*** and ***Back to the Future***. Recent movies include ***King Kong***, ***The Grinch***, and ***The Incredible Hulk***.

Most famous for making animated movies, Disney started with ***Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs*** in 1937. Partnering with Pixar was the smartest move Disney ever made.

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Drag the correct word(s) to its definition below.

biographies

informative

expository

a) Is simply the explanation of a subject.

thesis statement

b) Tells the main idea of the entire essay.

c) To supply with knowledge of a matter or subject.

d) A story about a real person's life that is written by another person.