

# Thoughtful Approaches To Writing: A Bibliography of Web Sources For Faculty

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## Integrating Writing Across The Disciplines

**Helping Students Write Better in All Courses:** <http://teaching.berkeley.edu/bgd/writebetter.html>

- A summary of general ideas and strategies for helping students write across disciplines

**Writing as a Way to Learn:** <http://wac.colostate.edu/intro/pop5.cfm>

- Examples of activities for writing to explore ideas

**Writing For Learning—Not Just Demonstrating Learning:** <http://www.ntlf.com/html/lib/bib/writing.htm>

- An article discussing the notion of writing as a way of learning

**Types of Assignments:** <http://gustavus.edu/academics/library/IMLS/assignmentsuggestions.html>

- Examples of assignments that integrate research but aren't the traditional research paper

**Tips for Integrating More Writing:** <http://www.public.coe.edu/wac/assignmentdesign.htm>

- A collection of articles on creating writing assignments across the disciplines.

## Creating/Designing Effective Assignments

**Designing Effective Writing Assignments:** <http://writing.umn.edu/tww/assignments/designing.html>

- General tips for designing effective assignments

**Designing Effective Writing Assignments:** <http://www.brandeis.edu/writingprogram/instructors-faculty/intensive/designing.html>

- More general tips for designing effective assignments

## Handling the Grading Load When Assigning Writing

**Strategies to Save Grading Time:** <http://www.uni.edu/unialc/WritingCenter/strategies.htm>

- Quick list of strategies to save on grading time

**Article on Minimal Marking (giving feedback while writing less on papers):**  
<http://www.public.coe.edu/wac/IS2.htm>

- An article by a professor reflecting on the use of "minimal professor marking" to facilitate student revision

**Managing the Paper Load:** <http://www.english.udel.edu/wc/faculty/tipsheets/paperTrap.pdf>

- Quick list of strategies to help manage the paper load of grading

## Assessing, Grading and Giving Feedback on Writing

### Some Methods of Assessment

- **Guide to Using Rubrics** (with Sample Rubrics):  
<http://www.english.udel.edu/wc/faculty/tipsheets/rubrics.pdf>  
A collection of sample grading/scoring rubrics.
- **Portfolio Assessment Overview**: <http://www.eduplace.com/rdg/res/literacy/assess6.html>  
General summary of research related to portfolio assessment of student writing.
- **Student Self-Assessment**: <http://www.evergreen.edu/washcenter/resources/acl/e2.html>  
A professor's description of using student self-assessment (self-reflective essays).

### Giving Feedback/ Responding to Student Papers

- **"Responding to Student Writing: 13 Ways of Looking At It"**: <http://www.niagara.edu/wc-response-to-student-writing/>  
A list of thoughtful strategies for responding to student writing.
- **Emphasizing the Right Thing at the Right Time: Differentiating Between Global and Local Concerns in Student Writing**:  
[http://mendota.english.wisc.edu/~WAC/page.jsp?id=104&c\\_type=category&c\\_id=24](http://mendota.english.wisc.edu/~WAC/page.jsp?id=104&c_type=category&c_id=24)  
A summary of principles for differentiating between major and minor concerns of student writing.
- **"Do I Have To Be an Expert in Grammar to Assign Writing?"**:  
<http://wac.colostate.edu/intro/pop2f.cfm>  
Tips for responding to student writing without becoming their editor.
- **Making Commentary Meaningful: Follow-up Activities**:  
<http://webpub.allegHENY.edu/dept/writingcenter/comments.htm>  
Ideas for the follow-up—what to have students do after they receive your feedback.

## Grammar

### **"Putting Grammar in Its Place... but Making Sure it Has a Place"**:

<http://www.public.coe.edu/wac/puttinggrammar.htm>

- An article discussing how to balance grammatical concerns with other major concerns

### **Purdue OWL Grammar Topic Handouts**: <http://owl.english.purdue.edu/sitemap/>

- The sitemap to a highly regarded collection of writing-based topics including grammatical topics

## Integrating Peer Review/ Collaborative Learning

### **Collaborative Learning**:

<http://www.dartmouth.edu/~writing/materials/faculty/methods/collaborative.shtml>

- Discussion on collaborative learning applied to writing

**Making Peer Review More Effective:** <http://wac.colostate.edu/intro/pop2j.cfm>

- Tips for making peer review more effective

**Sample Peer Review Guidelines:** <http://www.rmc.edu/Offices/higgins-academic-center/WAC/faculty/Peer%20review.aspx>

- A summary of one approach to structuring effective peer review

## Helping Students Avoid Plagiarism

**Defining and Avoiding Plagiarism: The WPA Statement on Best Practices:**

<http://www.wpacouncil.org/node/9>

- Statement of best practices related to approaching plagiarism by the Writing Program Administrators

**Materials for Teaching Paraphrasing Skills:** <http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/619/01/>

- Sample materials for teaching paraphrasing skills

**Sample Assignment on Paraphrasing Strategies:**

[http://www.middlesexcc.edu/faculty/Robert\\_Roth/ParaphraseEx.htm](http://www.middlesexcc.edu/faculty/Robert_Roth/ParaphraseEx.htm)

- Example assignment for teaching paraphrasing skills

**Designing Assignments to Discourage Plagiarism:**

[http://mendota.english.wisc.edu/~WAC/page.jsp?id=141&c\\_type=category&c\\_id=24](http://mendota.english.wisc.edu/~WAC/page.jsp?id=141&c_type=category&c_id=24)

- Article on how assignment design can discourage plagiarism

## Working With ESL Students

**Tips on Teaching ESL Students:** [http://www.unc.edu/depts/wcweb/esl/esl\\_student\\_tips.html](http://www.unc.edu/depts/wcweb/esl/esl_student_tips.html)

- General tips on working with ESL students

**Working With ESL Students on Writing:** <http://www.mwp.hawaii.edu/resources/wm6.htm>

- More ideas for working on writing with ESL students

## Resources For Students

**Grammar Girl Podcasts for Better Writing**

<http://grammar.quickanddirtytips.com/Tags/General/page/1/sortbyalpha/>

- A collection of podcasts on writing-related topics (sorry about the ads!)

**Woe Is I: The Grammarphobe's Guide to Better English in Plain English by Patricia T. O Conner**

- A witty book on grammar and improved writing

**UNC Grammar Topic Handouts:** <http://www.unc.edu/depts/wcweb/handouts/index.html>

- A collection of writing-related links you can provide to students