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0.1 Introduction

In this paper there will be a report style with a valuable information of the following; definition of academic writing and how important it is to have this skill set, then we will look at how important is to apply critical analysis on literally everything that is valuable to the individual or on activity and lastly there will be video of me on 2-minute video on describing what is meant by a sense of place and identity.

2.0 Academic Writing

It is difficult to provide a precise definition of scholarly writing; however, in general, the focus is on contributing new information to an ongoing discussion. The majority of writing for academic purposes takes the shape of articles, research papers, academic publications, and other writing of a comparable nature. Planning and organising are two aspects of this type of writing that are involved. A solid framework is an absolute requirement for scholastic writing. Not only does outlining make it easier for the writer to figure out what they want to say, but it also demonstrates to the reader how the various concepts are connected to one another. In addition, scholarly writing must have the appropriate tone, which precludes the use of vernacular, abbreviations, and an excessive number of clichés. Because of this, the terminology that is utilised in academic writing needs to be precise and carefully selected. (Scribbr 2023) Additionally, point of view is typically written in the third person because the purpose of the essay is to educate about facts rather than viewpoints, and third person writing is more objective. Academic writing should have a clear purpose, a straightforward style, and a professional tone. It should also be backed up with evidence to make sure the reader understands what is being said. There are five main ways to write: creative writing, telling a story, describing something, persuading someone, and explaining something.

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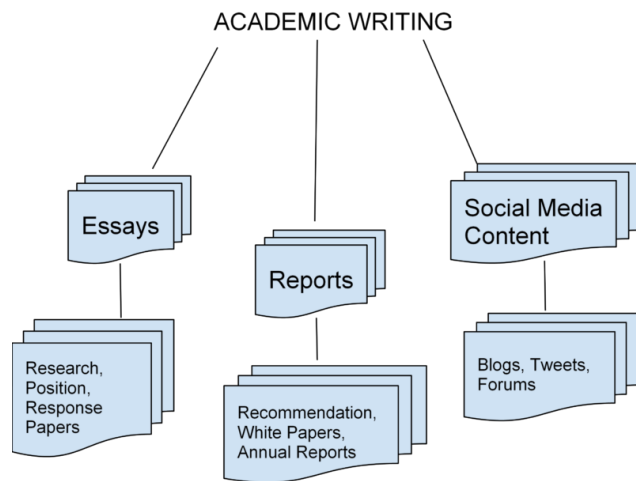
WHY IS ACADEMIC WRITING IMPORTANT?

First and foremost, academic writing is required for disseminating research findings to other specialists in the subject. It enables researchers to convey their ideas and research in a systematic and cohesive manner, allowing other academics to comprehend and expand on their work. Academic writing also encourages the exchange of empirical data, which is critical in the advancement of knowledge across disciplines. Writing, according to Elbow (2014), helps to clarify one's thoughts, which leads to better communication and the possibility of making more substantial contributions to one's field.

Second, academic writing is crucial in developing critical thinking abilities. Scholars examine sources critically, evaluate evidence and arguments, assess the logical consistency of their study, and utilise evidence-based reasoning to defend their beliefs. They acquire their own analytical and critical thinking skills as a result, which they may then utilise to contribute to the advancement of knowledge in respective disciplines.

Academic writing also encourages intellectual rigour and knowledge. It promotes academic integrity, especially the honesty with which ideas and intellectual property are attributed to their appropriate owners. Academic writing standards emphasise (American Psychological Association, 2019) that researchers should prevent plagiarism, which is the unethical exploitation of another person's intellectual work and assist academics in avoiding inadvertent plagiarism.

Finally, academic writing is vital to the advancement of several subjects. It aids in the refinement of current theories, the formulation of new hypotheses, and the challenge or expansion of others' views. Scholarly writing, through peer-reviewed publications, provides a way for verifying findings and increasing reputation.



Persuasive Writing

A piece of writing is considered to be persuasive if it enables the author to use language in order to persuade the reader that the author's viewpoint on a particular topic is correct. It is a common device in advertising text, which is written to attract the attention of the viewer and convince them to make a purchase of some kind. (Grammarly Blog 2023)

Creative Writing

Creative writing is any unique writing that expresses the author's ideas. (2022 Open University) Creative writing uses a wide variety of knowledge and understanding, placing them into the actions of creative authors and the things that come out of these actions, but it is also unique in how it negotiates between our personal and public human worlds.

4.0 Critical Analysis

Reviewing a scholarly article or document in the form of a critical analysis is called a critical analysis. Based on a variety of factors, it inquired as to whether respondents had favourable or unfavourable viewpoints concerning the text. It is more of a general critical assessment that focuses on the dependability and veracity of the research, as well as its strengths and limitations, than it does on its faults or problems. The purpose of the analysis is to provide a balanced assessment of both the advantages and disadvantages of the situation.

(University of Hertfordshire 2022) It is a synopsis and analysis of what a piece of writing says and how it should be interpreted. It reveals the author's opinion on the subject by drawing on both what you already know about it and what you learn about it from other writings. The ideas, theories, and research of others are subjected to a close inspection and assessment in the process known as critical analysis. Through the application of critical thinking, we will attempt to determine both the positive and unfavourable elements of the work. To put it another way, critical thinking is the intellectual discipline that is necessary to actively conceptualise, apply, analyse, synthesise, and evaluate information in order to arrive at a conclusion that is reasonable. It is a talent that is important in both scholastic and professional contexts, and as a result, it is absolutely necessary for students to learn how to effectively perform critical analysis. Critical analysis is a way of deliberately, completely, and objectively assessing information, ideas, and texts in order to reach a conclusion or make a judgement. This procedure is essential in academic writing since it allows authors to critically analyse their own work as well as the work of others. It leads to a better comprehension of difficult situations as well as the capacity to see errors, contradictions, illogical arguments, and other shortcomings. Critical analysis allows authors to enhance the quality of their writing, offer well-supported arguments, and discover areas for more investigation. We will explore how critical analysis improves the quality of work produced, its value in academic writing, and how it might be performed in this article.

For starters, critical analysis enables a more reasoned and informed assessment of text, arguments, or facts. It enables the writer to align their arguments with current literature, avoiding errors like repetition or providing biased viewpoints. According to Gaskell (2014), critical analysis entails assessing several points of view on an issue, recognising flaws and holes in the argument, and investigating the techniques used to achieve the result. As a result, the work generated is of greater quality, more well-founded, and more intellectually rigorous.

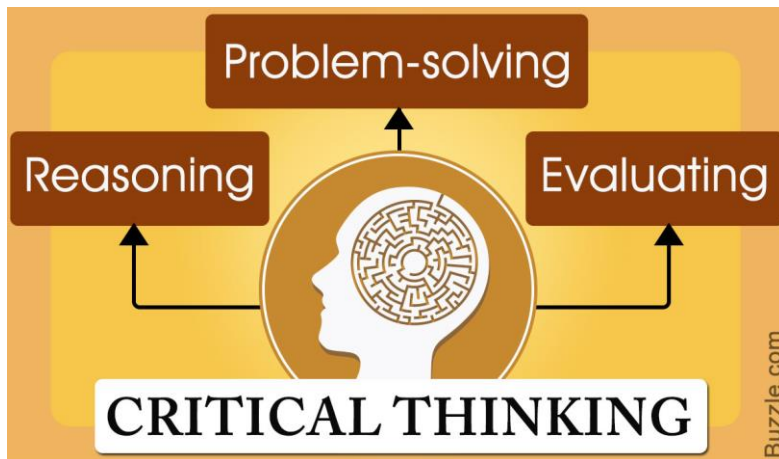
Second, critical thinking and inventiveness in problem solution are aided by critical analysis. A writer might think more deeply and creatively about alternative answers or breakthroughs in current knowledge by extensively researching a topic or subject. This strategy fosters creativity and new discoveries in a wide range of academic subjects, including medicine, science, and engineering.

Furthermore, critical analysis encourages constructive criticism and aids in the development of critical abilities in creating and defending arguments. It entails challenging sources, putting assertions to the test, scrutinising arguments, and experimenting with new ideas. These skills are necessary for crafting coherent, compelling, and logical arguments.

Finally, critical analysis assists researchers in determining their place within the larger academic community, possible contributions that might be made, and existing possibilities. The writer might broaden the scope of their research and add to the corpus of knowledge by critically reviewing the literature.

In order to learn how to write a critical analysis, I need to practise reading and analysing the media in a critical manner. This will help me figure out what the media is about and how it relates to my work. The talent of critical analysis is one that is typically utilised in the process of evaluating scholastic work as well as works of literature. The rational reasoning, investigation, and the ability to look at data and evidence and figure out what it all means are the fundamental skills that underpin this technique of analysis. Understanding how to conduct critical analysis equips me with transferable skills that can be applied in a variety of professional contexts, including those involving businesses and the use of content-specific resources. (Indeed 2023)

The conclusion of a critical analysis should, much like the beginning, be concise, straightforward, and concentrated on the topic at hand. In the conclusion, I will reiterate my viewpoints and verify that I have said everything I intended to say about the topic. This will be accomplished by compiling all of the various assertions and findings that were presented in the main body of the work. It is not appropriate to raise fresh points in the conclusion. I should instead provide a brief summary of what have already been stated. My work will be understandable, rational, and well-organized if I carry out a critical analysis using the stages that I'm outlined in this guide.



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5.0 Video

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