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The Ghostwriter's Gambit: College Essay Essentials Quiz

Establish a foundational grip on academic writing structures used in university admissions, grant proposals, and professional reporting.

1. A technical report explaining how a blockchain ledger maintains data integrity is best classified as which essay type?

- A. Narrative
- B. Expository
- C. Persuasive
- D. Descriptive

2. An argumentative essay must include a counterargument to address opposing viewpoints and strengthen the writer's position.

- A. True
- B. False

3. A writing piece that uses heavy imagery to recount the atmosphere of a 1920s jazz club without a specific plot is primarily _____.

- A. Persuasive
- B. Expository
- C. Descriptive
- D. Narrative

4. Which essay type would you use for a university application personal statement reflecting on a transformative internship?

- A. Narrative
- B. Expository
- C. Argumentative
- D. Technical

5. The primary goal of a persuasive essay is to entertain the reader with fictional anecdotes.

- A. True
- B. False

6. What is the defining characteristic of an argumentative essay compared to a simple persuasive essay?

- A. Use of rhythmic prose
- B. The exclusive use of first-person 'I' statements
- C. A rigorous reliance on evidence and logic to support a claim
- D. The focus on vivid sensory adjectives

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7. If you are writing a manual on how to install a HVAC system, you are utilizing the _____ essay style.

- A. Narrative
- B. Expository
- C. Descriptive
- D. Persuasive

8. Academic journals often publish expository and argumentative pieces rather than narrative ones.

- A. True
- B. False

9. Which of these is a typical outcome of a well-written descriptive essay?

- A. The reader takes a specific political action.
- B. The reader gains a vivid mental image of a subject.
- C. The reader learns a step-by-step mathematical proof.
- D. The reader identifies the main protagonist's antagonist.

10. An editorial in a newspaper urging city council to build more bike lanes is an example of a _____ essay.

- A. Descriptive
- B. Narrative
- C. Persuasive
- D. Expository