

6+1 Traits Student Choice Essay/Story

The purpose of this assignment is to practice revision skills in order to master all 7 writing traits. There are multiple steps to this assignment and each step must be completed for full credit.

Step One: Brainstorm any topic or idea of your choice to use for either an expository, narrative, or persuasive essay OR a short story using some sort of brainstorming graphic organizer such as a web.

Step Two: Write your first rough draft, making sure you have an introductory paragraph, body paragraph(s), and a conclusion paragraph.

Step Three: Using the revision checklist and a pen/colored pencil of the color that represents each writing trait, make notes about what needs to be changed/added for your second draft.

Step Four: Re-write your first draft into your second draft using the revision notes from draft #1. There should be noticeable changes between draft 1 and draft 2.

Step Five: Again, use the revision checklist and a pen/colored pencil of the color that represents each trait to make notes about what could be elaborated/changed/added for your third and final draft.

Step Six: Type your third draft using your revised second draft, making sure there are significant changes from your first draft and that all statements on the checklist can be answered “yes” completely. Print your final draft and staple your planning sheet, 1st, and 2nd drafts to the back. You will receive a grade for brainstorming, draft 1, draft 2, and the final typed draft.