

## At a glance:

# All writing exercises

Everyone writes in a different way. Therefore, try and find writing exercises that might suit you and just give them a go.

### Get an overview

First, get an overview of the basic framework of your writing project: What do you need to write about? When do you have to submit the assignment? How many pages do you need to write? You can find out how to create a project plan in the section “Being well organized”.

### Start with the part that is easiest for you

Do you have trouble getting started? You don't have to start with the introduction, start by writing the part that is easiest for you. Write with low expectations and firstly don't put too much thought into it. Writing is a process, and can be corrected and changed again and again. You can only improve it if there is something there to improve.

### Starting to write

If you have constant problems with starting to write, there are various writing exercises that can help you. “Free writing” for example. Take five minutes before starting on your task and write down everything that comes into your head. Alternatively, you can write about a favorite memory, your last holiday, for example, or a fairy tale or a story. There are no limits to your creativity.

### Write a letter to your writing project

If you're not getting on well with your writing, write a letter to your project in which you tell it about the things that are going well and those that are not. Writing it down will help you to articulate yourself and possibly begin to find solutions to the problems.

### Writing journal

Create a writing journal. Here you can log all of your thoughts, feelings, concerns, ideas and questions about the task.

At the end of a writing session, you can also write down your last thoughts in the journal, as this makes it easier for you to come back and start next time.

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### The “kids’ TV show” method

Could you benefit from looking at your writing project from a different angle? Then try to convert your project into a contribution for a kids’ TV show you like.

What makes the subject fun? Is there anything in particular that you want to explore or show in your contribution? What do we currently know about this subject? Explaining your subject in a form that children will understand will help you better identify the difficulties and should help awaken your interest.

### Dictate your thoughts

Do you have everything you want to write in your head, but can't get it down on paper? Make an audio recording of all your thoughts and then write them down.

### Change of scenery

Can't concentrate in your shared apartment? Then write in the library, in a nice café or if the weather is good, next to the Rhine. A change of scenery can improve your mood and also boost your creativity and motivation.

### Form a writing group

Form a writing group with friends or fellow students. You can arrange to meet at the library and write together or you could always meet where someone lives. You can also correct passages from each other's work.