

Respondent:

Writer:

Peer Response

Read your partner's essay once through, without making any comments. Then re-read the essay. After your second reading, write a letter addressed to your partner in which you touch on the following points: 1. Begin by commenting on anything about the draft that you were struck by--be specific about what caught your interest and why. 2. Identify the essay's thesis or alert the writer if you are not sure what the essay's thesis is. 3. Discuss which parts of the essay supported the thesis convincingly and/or which parts did not (be specific) 4. Identify any other problems that made the essay unclear or hard to follow: structure, unclear line of argument, incoherent paragraphs, insufficient discussion of the text, etc. 5. Give the writer advice about how to develop the essay.