

AIR ELAI: Unit 16

Informative/Expository Essays

- An **informative text** provides _____ about a topic.
 - Facts, details, examples, or _____ support the text's central idea.
 - Informative texts are _____ and are based on research from outside sources.
- When you write an **informative/expository essay**, you _____ an informative text.
- Your goal is to become an expert on a new (or not so new) topic and _____ your knowledge in a way that allows the reader to become an expert, too.
- An informative text is written with a completely **neutral tone**, or one that is _____ of _____.
 - Meaning, you are not trying to convince your audience of anything.
 - You are simply presenting _____ on a topic.
- The **Informative/Expository Essay** you will write on the AIR Assessment will be written with in a _____ *style* and will be *based on at least two texts* that you are required to read.

- Regardless of the topic, every informative text should begin with a compelling _____ that provides a _____ for the text, _____ based around a _____ that contain _____ and/or **paraphrases** supporting the thesis, and a _____.
- A **verbal** is a word that _____ from a verb but doesn't _____ like a verb in the sentence.
 - A **gerund** is a word that ends in -ing and functions as a _____.
 - An **infinitive** is a verbal consisting of the word "to" and a verb that functions as a _____, _____, or _____.
- **Infinitives** and **gerunds** are often part of _____ within a sentence.
- A **gerund phrase** consists of a verbal that ends in _____ and everything that goes along with it (like modifiers or direct objects).
- An **infinitive phrase** consists of an _____ (the word "to" and a verb) and everything that goes along with it.