

Practice Writing Sample

Essay

Time: 20 minutes

Purpose: The essay is assigned to give you an opportunity to show how well you can plan and write an essay.

Tips and advisements: (1) be sure to read the essay topic carefully before you begin writing. Do not write on another topic. An essay on another topic is not acceptable, (2) express your thoughts in a clear and effective manner, (3) be sure to provide your best work, and (4) all aspects of writing—grammar, mechanics, spelling, punctuation, etc.—are considered during the grading process.

Sample topic: Describe a circumstance, obstacle or conflict in your life, and the skills and resources you used to resolve it. Did it change you? If so, how?