

Do we automatically start writing as soon as we receive an instruction, or we first try to think of something on our own?

For example: **Write about an experience where you learned something about yourself (200 words)**

(NARRATIVE ESSAY): A narrative essay focuses on sharing a personal experience to convert a specific lesson, a reflection, or an idea. **It has an introduction, a body and a conclusion.**

What steps would you take before actually starting to write?

CODER Method Full Form:

C - Collect your ideas (Gather ideas, brainstorming)

O - Organize your ideas (Structure, outline)

D - Make your first Draft (Write the initial version)

E - Edit your work (Improve grammar, spelling, and punctuation)

R - Revise your work (Rewrite, improve content/flow)

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As I stepped onto the stage, my hands trembled and my voice shook. Yet, as I continued speaking, my fear gradually faded. I focused on my words, gained confidence, and completed the debate successfully. To my surprise, the judges appreciated my confidence and awarded me special recognition for my performance.

That experience taught me a valuable lesson about myself: I am stronger and more capable than I had imagined. I realised that courage is not the absence of fear but the willingness to move forward despite it. Since that day, I have learned to trust myself and face challenges with confidence.

(Points: Writing Style

The tone is personal and engaging.

First person narration is used (for example, I, 'my')

Language

The essay uses simple and clear language.

Grammar, punctuation, and spellings are correctly used.)

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(Background)

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(Theme)

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(Character Introduction)

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(Situation/ settings Description)

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(Development of the Challenge/ a turning point)

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(Conclusion)

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