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Developing Writing Skills

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Pre-requisites in Developing Writing Skills

- Range of vocabulary
- Command on Functional Grammar
- Formulation of Sentences
- Understanding of Context
- Appropriate Translation of ideas
- Organization of Ideas
- Avoiding Repetition
- Cohesive Devices
- Punctuation
- Paragraphing
- Stylistic choices

C-O-D-E-R Principle

- C- Collect
- O- Organize
- D- Draft
- E- Edit
- R- Review

Planning and Executing the Act of Writing

- Language Appropriacy
- Socio-Cultural Appropriacy
- Gender Neutrality
- Avoiding Vague Expressions
- Generalized Remarks
- Categorical Remarks
- Derogatory Remarks

Characteristics of Good Writing

- Brief
- Clear
- Succinct
- Simple
- Specific
- Chronological
- No ambiguity
- Keep Audience in Mind
- Logical
- Coherent
- Lucid