

ETSF25 - Seminar 4

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Literature

This weeks seminar literature talked a lot about how to structure a essay or scientific report to make the most out of it and deliver good content and a good structure. This was discussed in videos from Lund University and some articles and reports. The literature and videos went through alot of things for writing a report or essay and the top three thins that where mentioned is explained below.

Rhetorical Disposition – this technique is used alot during presentations and was "invented" a very long time ago. This technique is actually often taught in elementary school and high school. The technique is structured in five parts:

1. Introduction
2. Background
3. Proposition
4. Argumentation
5. Closing

These five parts are very important to structure a good presentation where the presenters want to give a message or show anything. The working order for this technique often starts with *proposition*, where you tell your standpoint and then move on to *argumentation* and the *conclusion/finale*. These three are the main part of the presentation where the introduction and background is also important, just not that much. However, a good introduction is needed to catch the attention of the audience. So when working with this technique is to then after the main part create a good introduction and background.

Top Down – this technique presented by our course teacher is used in reports and essays to structure up the amount of information and details in a section. To write in top-down you need to structure your section such that at the beginning the details and information is general, but further in the section the details gets alot more complicated and fundamental.

Core Sentences (Kärnmeningar) – when writing a report or essay the first sentences are the most important in a paragraph. The reader should be able to just read the first sentence in every paragraph to get a feeling of what the paper is about without going in on too much details.

Preparatory questions

The preparatory questions consist of 4 parts and I will write them in order.

1. I will write an essay with Emil Dahlgrn about Netflix, which suprised us both that they OSS. Maybe people need to start thinking that every big company probably use some kind of OSS in their system.
2. The quiz that needed to be done taught me alot about how different types of papers for example books and articles how they are used in references and structured when writing a essay. I will not go through the details of the different papers how they are referenced but I learned alot even though in my opinion some are very similar.
3. When a paper is peer-reviewed that means that the paper have gone through a council of 3-5 experts in that field and that they have validated the paper to be of good quality. It is important because experts have read through this paper and validated it because it contains good information and conclusions. To use a peer-reviewed article or paper in a essay is very encouraged. Often reports who has a "tag" from for example Sprinter and IEEE is highly peer-reviewed.
4. The information on LTH's Canvas about Presentation and Writing can be used whenever the student needs to write a big report or essay or is about to do a presentation. This page can be used to refresh how you are supposed to structure everything up and is a very handy resource when writing for your master thesis.