

GEN-600 Technical Writing Assignment (2)

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Paragraph Analysis

Paragraph 1

Writing is not simply speech written down on paper. Learning to write is not just a natural extension of learning to speak a language. We learned to speak our first language at home without systematic instruction; whereas, most of us had to be taught in school how to write that same language. Many adult native speakers of a language find writing difficult. A speaker speaks to a listener who is right there, nodding or frowning, or interrupting or questioning. For the writer, the reader’s response is either delayed or nonexistent.

Topic Statement: Writing is different from speaking.
Topic: Writing.
Comment(s): is not simply speech written down on paper.
Grammatical Analysis:

Sentence	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]
Writing is not simply speech written down on paper.	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]
Learning to write is not just a natural extension of learning to speak a language.	[2]	[4]	[6]	[1]
We learned to speak our first language at home without systematic instruction; whereas, most of us had to be taught in school how to write that same language.	[3]	[6]	[2]	[5]
[4]	[4]	[1]	[5]	[2]
[5]	[5]	[3]	[1]	[6]
[6]	[6]	[5]	[4]	[3]

2. Action Verbs

1. Optimize, minimize, maximize. 2. Speed up. 3. Accelerate. 4. Enhance.
5. Stabilize. 6. Streamline. 7. Synchronize. 8. Standardize. 9. destroy. 10.
distill. 11. Cement. 12. Generate. 13. illuminate. 14. illustrate. 15. identify.
16. Kick. 17. Map 18. Mine. 19. Nurture. 20. Prove. 21. Trim. 22. Trap. 23.
Test. 24.

3. Write a paragraph about 'Your Research Work'