

Written Essays

Grade Level(s): Post Secondary, College

Overview	Students in a foreign language class will be assigned to write essays in the language being studied. Students will turn in hard copy of their essays and exchange essays with a partner. 99Chats will then be used to peer edit and give feedback between partners
Objectives	Allows students to practice their foreign language writing skills and receive a peer evaluation of their essay before the final draft is due.
Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Computers • Access to the Internet • Access to 99Chats http://www.99chats.com/ • Partners hard copy of essay
Procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instructor will provide a handout to each student a topic to write about and discuss in 99Chats as a pre-write. • The teacher will inform the students that they must write in their respective studied language. • The essays must be one page in length (Offered in French, Spanish, Italian, and German). • Deadline for hardcopy to give to a partner is due a week from date student receives handout. • The two partners will access 99Chats and in their own chat room they will talk about how their partner can make corrections to their paper. • Note: The two partners must be of the same language. So put Spanish partners with another Spanish partner, etc. • Completed draft after revision and discussion on 99Chats is due two weeks from day student receives handout. • Safe chat rooms need to be set up in advance by the teacher so each group has a chat room
Evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20 points – Correct grammar, paper meets class requirements, peer evaluation completed on 99Chats by deadline • 10 points – Few grammar mistakes, doesn't meet all requirements, posted on 99Chats by deadline • 0 points – Did not complete assignment or post on 99Chats