# Writing Process

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| **Assess Assignment** | - What type of paper will I write (i.e. argumentative essay, research paper)?  
- What format will I be writing in (i.e. MLA, APA)?  
- What is the topic of my paper?  
- What questions will I answer in my paper or what things will I talk about? |
| **Evaluate Knowledge** | - What do I know about my topic?  
- What new information about my topic is necessary?  
- How will I find new information about my topic (i.e. brainstorming, research)? |
| **Plan** | - What is my working thesis?  
- What main ideas will each paragraph talk about?  
- What is the topic sentence of each paragraph?  
- What examples or supporting details will I include in each paragraph?  
- What will I state in my introduction?  
- Do I now have enough information to begin writing my paper? |
| **Write** | - Have I followed my outline as I write?  
- Have I provided equal support for each main idea?  
- Does my paper’s length fall within the assignment’s guidelines? |
| **Edit and Assess** | - Have I formatted my paper correctly and included an introduction and a conclusion?  
- Have I corrected all grammar or punctuation errors in my paper?  
- Have I used the appropriate language for my audience?  
- Have I answered all questions and/or covered all required topics?  
- Have I supported my thesis and fully explained all of my main ideas?  
- Do the thesis and topic sentences of my paper form a cohesive argument? |