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Informative/Explanatory Essay Writing: Grade 9-10

- A: Introduce topic or thesis statement
- B: Organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions
- C: Include formatting when it aids comprehension
 - □ headings, indents, spacing, graphics
 - □ figures, tables, multimedia
- D: Develop topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient...
 - □ facts
 - □ extended definitions,
 - □ concrete details,
 - □ quotations,
 - or other information and examples appropriate to <u>audience's</u> knowledge.
- E: Use varied transitions to clarify relationships among ideas and concepts
- **F.** Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary
- G. Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone
- H. Provide a concluding statement/section that follows from and supports the information or explanation.
- □ I. Gather information from multiple sources
 - □ Assess sources for relevancy and validity
 - □ Avoid plagiarism
 - Cite sources, including footnotes and endnotes, following standard citation format
- □ J. Use correct punctuation
- □ K. Spell correctly