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Teaching Reading-Based Academic Writing Skills

**Principles:**

* Teach text-based writing early and often.
* Teach reading/writing skills recursively and build on them within/across courses.
* Don't underestimate the complexity of the task.
* Don't assume students are "beyond" needing scaffolding.

**Suggestions & Steps:**

1. Pick appropriate texts.
2. Facilitate text comprehension.
3. Teach reading strategies.
4. Scaffold reading/writing connections.
5. Write clear text-based prompts.
6. Teach text-based writing subskills.