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## Writing

## Writing 1

In this chapter, both formal and informal reviews rate quality. The characteristics of similar products, such as honey, can be rated with the help of a rubric. The information on a rubric can become the facts and opinions in a descriptive paragraph review.

Research alone or with a group:

- Choose a familiar product that is available in your community; e.g., coffee.
- Decide on at least five characteristics that can be rated; e.g., price, temperature, bitterness, strength, roast colour, freshness, aroma.
- Pick or prepare a rating system. You may wish to use three or four categories such as "Bad-Okay-Good," "Strong-Ordinary-Weak," "Unacceptable-Acceptable-Above Average-Amazing."
- Make a table with five or six columns and at least six rows.
  - O Draw your table on a blank sheet of paper, or
  - o Develop or demonstrate your word-processing skills by making your table on a computer.
  - o Print one table for each product you will rate; e.g., two kinds of coffee, two kinds of bread.
- Try the products. Use your observations and experiences to complete your tables.

Write a review of the products you rated. Depending on your language level, choose either A or B.

- A. Write one paragraph with your clear opinion and some facts.
  - o Complete at least three sentences that begin "I like \_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_."
  - o Complete at least three sentences that begin "I dislike \_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_."
  - O Introduce your paragraph with a topic sentence about how you researched the topic. (Refer to Chapter 4, for more information on topic sentences.)
- B. Write two paragraphs, one about each product.
  - o Write five facts about each product.
  - o Express your positive and negative opinions using the rating system from the rubric you made.
  - o Introduce each paragraph with an appropriate topic sentence.

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