

Threshold Concepts

A threshold concept is a whole new way of thinking about something. As a kid you think money grows on trees and then you grow up and start paying for your own things and it shows you a whole new way of thinking about your money, that's an example of a threshold concept. Threshold Concepts happen all the time, it's a part of growing and your mind is showing new ways of thinking. This also happens in school, the things teachers told us when we were younger aren't the things we need to know now, our minds need to change the way we are thinking.

Before, I used to think of writing as a way of repeating our knowledge on whatever topic you're writing about, but I never really thought about what it really is. Since I've been learning about it more, I've learned that writing is a process, and it's impossible to perfect your writing. Even if you might think that it's perfect doesn't mean it's perfect to everyone else and even in the future you might not think it's perfect either, because the more we learn the more our brains change the way we think about things. Some other things that I've changed my way of thinking on is reading and research. You need them to be able to write reliable things that you have a lot of knowledge on, you need your writing to be able to accomplish whatever you're trying to tell your audience and to get your points across. All of this is what I thought a writer needed to have good writing.

Prior to learning this section we were instructed to write down why we thought good writing was. What I thought and what most people I asked thought, was about the same. We said that good writing is having good punctuation, grammar, formatting, and just following directions. But what I learned is good writing isn't always that. It all depends on the situation

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you're in. For example, you don't want perfect grammar and formatting when you're texting your friend, it's just weird. You have to base your writing on the situation. The main thing good writing depends on is whether or not the writing accomplishes what the reader and writer needs and what they were looking for.

Finally, I think that what makes the best kind of writer is one who can accept change. A writer needs to be able to realize that their writing will never be perfect. They also need to be able to fit their writing to any situation, and they need to realize when they make it casual or proper. Everything changes depending on the situation and it isn't perfect because we all have different definitions of perfect, just like everything else in life.