

Critical Concepts 7.5B Non-Fiction Writing Lesson Plans

Turning Graphic Organizers into Writing Responses

After students complete their organizers, model how to turn it into a short paragraph.

Prompt:

Identify the type of work and analyze how its form or structure contributes to meaning.

Type of Work Identified

Analysis of form/structure

Meaning identified

Explanation of Contribution

I Do Model Writing (A Doll's House)

This excerpt is a drama. Its form includes dialogue and stage directions that create conflict. The theme is about independence within marriage. The structure contributes to meaning by using dialogue to show tension and reveal Nora's struggle for freedom.

We Do Model Writing (Trifles)

The text is a drama. Its form relies on contrasting dialogue between men and women. The theme is that women's voices matter even when dismissed. The structure contributes to meaning by showing that women's observations solve the case.

You Do with Partner Model Writing (The House of Life)

This is a poem. Its form includes stanzas and repetition of life imagery. The message is that life is both joy and sorrow. The structure contributes to meaning by reinforcing the author's hopeful perspective through rhyme and repetition.

You Do Independently Model Writing (Student Example)

This text is a poem. Its form includes rhyme and stanza breaks. The theme is about appreciating life's journey. The structure contributes to meaning by using rhythm and repetition to emphasize life's balance.