

## THE PROMPT:

### Writing Situation:

Every person knows a lot about or has a lot of interest in at least one thing whether it's a sport, skill, activity, or hobby.

### Writing Directions:

Use Google products to create an electronic mini-magazine to appear on thompsonsteach.com written about the informative topic of your choice. The magazine should include five paragraphs written in the style of each informative text structure. Additionally, the magazine should include at least two pictures with captions, a glossary that defines topic-specific vocabulary, different types of print, a sidebar, and a quiz.

## EXPECTATIONS:

- **Paragraphs:**
  - Five paragraphs that are at least five sentences in length.
  - Each paragraph is written in the style of each informative text structure:
    - Description
    - Compare & Contrast
    - Order & Sequence
    - Cause & Effect
    - Problem & Solution
  - Each paragraph has a title.
- **Pictures:**
  - At least two pictures are included.
  - Each picture has a caption.
  - The source of the image is cited.
- **Glossary:**
  - Glossary includes at least three topic-specific terms. In other words, terms in your glossary should be words that someone unfamiliar with your topic may be confused by.
- **Print:**
  - Titles of paragraphs should be larger than the rest of the text and should also be emphasized with bold and/or underlined print.
  - Glossary terms should be italicized and or highlighted.
  - Use a font that is easy-to-read.
- **Sidebar:**
  - An "About the Author" section should be included that explains why you're qualified to write your magazine. In other words, what makes you an expert in your topic?
  - Optional: you may wish include other information that didn't fit into other paragraphs.
- **Quiz:**
  - A three-question, text-dependent, multiple-choice quiz should be included at the end of the magazine.
- **Grammar & Mechanics**
  - Spelling, punctuation, capitalization, and other grammatical errors are not common.