

## Reading 10: The Elements of...

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### Question 1

Read the passage and answer the questions that follow. "The first step in the process of writing a paper is to choose a topic. This is often the most difficult part of the process because you have to find a topic that is interesting to you and that you can write about. There are many ways to choose a topic. You can choose a topic that interests you, a topic that you are good at, or a topic that you are curious about. You can also choose a topic that is important to you or that you want to learn more about. Once you have chosen a topic, you need to do some research to find out what you already know about it and what you need to know. This will help you to write a paper that is well-informed and interesting to read." (1)

1. Why is it so hard to choose a topic and a subject to write about?

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2. The passage says "The first step in the process of writing a paper is to choose a topic." What does this mean?

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3. Explain the meaning of the word "topic".

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### Question 2

Read the passage and answer the questions that follow. "There are many different ways to write a paper. You can write a paper that is a report, a story, a poem, or a play. You can also write a paper that is a research paper, a persuasive paper, or a descriptive paper. The way you write your paper will depend on the topic you are writing about and the audience you are writing for. You should always write your paper in a clear and organized way. You should also use evidence to support your ideas. This will help you to write a paper that is well-written and interesting to read." (2)

4. Why is it hard to choose a topic?

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5. What does it mean to write a persuasive paper?

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6. Explain the meaning of the word "evidence".

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