

## Open Educational Resource alternatives to *A Writer's Reference*

<i>A Writer's Reference</i> 8 <sup>th</sup> Edition	Alternative Resources
Composing and Revising - Planning	<p><b>Prewriting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guptill <a href="#">What Does the Professor Want? Understanding the Assignment</a></li> <li>• Write for Success <a href="#">The Writing Process: How do I begin?</a></li> <li>• CSU <a href="#">Composing Processes: Planning and Organizing</a> (several sections)</li> <li>• Babin et al <a href="#">Selecting and Narrowing a topic</a></li> <li>• OWL <a href="#">Starting the Writing Process</a></li> <li>• OWL <a href="#">PreWriting</a></li> </ul> <p><b>Writing a Thesis</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Write for Success <a href="#">Developing a strong Clear Thesis Statement</a></li> <li>• Guptill <a href="#">Constructing the thesis and the argument from the ground up</a> (uses three story thesis explanation)</li> <li>• OWL <a href="#">Purdue Creating a Thesis</a></li> <li>• CSU <a href="#">Developing a Thesis</a> (several sections)</li> <li>• Babin et al <a href="#">Finding the Thesis</a></li> </ul> <p><b>Outlining/Organizing a Paper</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OWL Purdue <a href="#">Developing an Outline</a></li> <li>• Writing For Success <a href="#">Organizing Your Writing</a></li> <li>• Babin et al <a href="#">Strategies for getting started</a></li> <li>• Babin et al - <a href="#">Organizing your ideas and looking for connections</a></li> </ul>
Composing and Revising - Drafting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guptill <a href="#">Intros and Outros</a></li> <li>• Babin et al <a href="#">Writing a First Draft</a></li> <li>• Write For Success <a href="#">Writing Introductions and conclusions</a></li> <li>• CSU <a href="#">Drafting an argument</a></li> <li>• CSU <a href="#">Developing your ideas</a></li> </ul>
Composing and Revising - Reviewing, revising and editing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guptill <a href="#">Clarity and Concision</a></li> <li>• Guptill <a href="#">Getting Mechanics Right</a></li> <li>• Babin et al <a href="#">Revising</a></li> <li>• OWL <a href="#">Proofreading</a></li> <li>• Writing for Success <a href="#">Revising and Editing</a></li> </ul>
Composing and Revising - Prep Portfolio	
Composing and Revising - Writing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">OWL Paragraphs and paragraphing</a></li> </ul>

Paragraphs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guptill <a href="#">Back to Basics: the Perfect Paragraph</a></li> <li>• Writing for Success <a href="#">Writing Body Paragraphs</a></li> </ul>
Composing and Revising - Document design/Different styles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OWL <a href="#">APA</a></li> <li>• OWL <a href="#">MLA</a></li> <li>• OWL <a href="#">Chicago</a></li> <li>• OWL <a href="#">AMA</a></li> <li>• Writing for Success <a href="#">APA and MLA Formatting</a></li> <li>• OSU <a href="#">How to Cite Sources</a></li> </ul>
Academic Reading, Writing and Speaking - Reading and Writing Critically	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Babin et al <a href="#">Building Strong Reading Skills</a></li> <li>• Babin et al <a href="#">Reading Critically</a></li> <li>• Writing for Success <a href="#">Reading and Writing for College</a></li> </ul>
Academic Reading, Writing and Speaking - Reading and writing about images and multi modal texts	
Academic Reading, Writing and Speaking - Reading Arguments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Babin et al <a href="#">Writing About Texts</a> (includes strategies for reading critically)</li> </ul>
Academic Reading, Writing and Speaking - Writing Arguments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OWL <a href="#">Establishing Arguments</a></li> <li>• CSU <a href="#">Writing Arguments</a></li> <li>• OSU <a href="#">Making an Argument</a></li> </ul>
Academic Reading, Writing and Speaking - Speaking Confidently	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Writing For Success <a href="#">Creating Presentations: Sharing Your Ideas</a></li> <li>• CSU <a href="#">Making Speeches and Presentations</a></li> </ul>
Academic Reading, Writing and Speaking - Writing in the disciplines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OWL <a href="#">Common Writing Assignments</a></li> </ul>
Multilingual Writers and ESL Challenges - Verbs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ELC Study Zone <a href="#">Grammar Index</a> (includes verb lessons)</li> </ul>
Multilingual Writers and ESL Challenges - Articles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ELC Study Zone <a href="#">Grammar Index</a> (includes article/determiner lessons)</li> </ul>
Multilingual Writers and ESL Challenges - Sentence Structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OWL <a href="#">Combining Sentences</a></li> </ul>
Multilingual Writers and ESL Challenges - Using Adjectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ELC Study Zone <a href="#">Grammar Index</a> (includes adjective lessons)</li> </ul>
Multilingual Writers and ESL Challenges - Prepositions and Idiomatic expressions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Owl <a href="#">Prepositions</a></li> <li>• ELC Study Zone <a href="#">Grammar Index</a> (includes prepositions lessons)</li> </ul>

Multilingual Writers and ESL Challenges - Paraphrasing sources effectively	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OWL <a href="#">Paraphrasing and Summary</a></li> </ul>
Researching - Thinking like a researcher gathering sources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guptill <a href="#">Listening to Sources, Talking to Sources</a></li> <li>• Guptill <a href="#">Secondary Sources in their Natural habitats</a></li> <li>• OWL <a href="#">Conducting Research</a></li> <li>• Writing For Success <a href="#">Writing From Research: What Will I Learn?</a></li> <li>• OSU <a href="#">Precision Searching</a></li> <li>• OSU <a href="#">Role of Research Sources</a> ft BEAM</li> </ul>
Researching - Managing Information, taking notes responsibly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Babin et al <a href="#">Crediting and Citing Your Sources Correctly</a></li> <li>• OWL <a href="#">Quoting paraphrasing and summarizing</a></li> <li>• OSU <a href="#">Ethical Use and Citing Sources</a></li> <li>• OSU <a href="#">Search Tools</a></li> </ul>
Researching - Evaluating sources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OWL <a href="#">Evaluating Sources of Information</a></li> <li>• OSU <a href="#">Types of Sources</a></li> <li>• OSU <a href="#">Evaluating Sources</a></li> </ul>

### Alternative Sources:

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Ohio State University Libraries. *Choosing & Using Sources: A Guide to Academic Research* 2016.

Purdue Online Writing Lab [OWL] [https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/purdue\\_owl.html](https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/purdue_owl.html)