
WRITING STRATEGIES I (WSI)
DOSHISHA WOMEN'S COLLEGE (DWC)
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Course overview

- dwc@sheffnersweb.net
 - <http://www.sheffnersweb.net/blogs/classblogs/dwc>
 - Also on Manaba
 - Text: Splitting the Arrow. Prem Rawat. Bunya Publishing 978-4907-298-012
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A. How to pass

1. One written academic report of satisfactory standard
 2. Weekly notes and/or reports
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WHAT TO EXPECT I

- Instruction in academic format, including citation and bibliography (MLA style)
 - A reading list for independent reading
 - Story-telling
 - For listening and note-taking practice and summarising
 - Guidance in basic research skills:
 - research question,
 - how to search,
 - how to put collected information into your own words.
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WHAT TO EXPECT 2

- In class
 - Whole class activities, small group activities, independent work
 - Reading
 - Listening to short stories, taking notes and summarising
 - Doing research in small groups and reporting your findings to the whole class
 - Writing your research reports and sharing with the whole class
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WHAT TO EXPECT 3

- Homework
 - Reading (assigned and self-selected)
 - Watching short videos
 - Researching
 - Writing, preparing presentations and reports
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- Your instructor: Marc Sheffner
 - British, born in England of French mother and English father (both bilingual)
 - Attended a grammar school (The Skinners' School in Tunbridge Wells, Kent)
 - University degree (B.A and M.A in modern languages and literature (French & German))
 - 40+ academic presentations and papers on teaching English as a foreign language
 - 20+ years of teaching academic writing, including thesis-writing supervision
 - Interests: reading, writing, history, economics, political theory, movies, music, Aikido
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