

What about real-world applications?

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OCCRRC has over 250 ready-to-use resources to guide you through the application of content in the context of real-world examples. Explore the section below sampled from lesson [20.6 “Essential Elements of a College Application \(part 2\)”](#).

Essays

Ideally, by the time students sit down to write their college essays, they have already written and revised several practice essays. Writing a compelling personal narrative utilizes many skills learned in high school. Requiring students to write short practice essays about their life experiences, opinions on current affairs, ambitions for the future, or positions on political issues helps take the anxiety out of essay writing. It also allows educators to build a college-going culture by giving all students the chance to practice, revise, and read examples of each other’s “college entrance” work.



Stop and Think:

The Common Application offers students five essay prompts from which to choose. Apply Texas currently offers three (two mandatory, one optional). Take a moment to review them now.

[Common Application](#)

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How could you use these prompts tomorrow to promote students’ essay-writing abilities?

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