Student Handout 1

RAFTing for Natural Resources

RAFT Instructions

The RAFT strategy employs writing-to-learn activities to enhance understanding of informational text. Students demonstrate their understanding in a nontraditional format. This technique encourages creative thinking and motivates students to reflect in unusual ways about concepts they have read.

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| Role | What is the writer's role - reporter, observer, eyewitness, object, number, etc.? |
| Audience | Who will be reading the writing - the teacher, other students, a parent, editor, people in the community, etc.? |
| Format | What is the best way to present this writing - in a letter, an article, a report, a poem, an advertisement, e-mail, etc.? |
| Topic | What is the best way to present this writing - in a letter, an article, a report, a poem, an advertisement, e-mail, etc.? |