

Teaching Writing within ELT

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Teaching Writing and Reading: why am I interested?

- EAP
- Academic background
- MA and PhD
- CELTA and Postgrad Cert in TEAP
- Literary translation
- TESOL/ TEAP



EXTENDED ESSAY

- Essay: A genre related to its more complex 'sister' genres within academic disciplines, viz. the dissertation or thesis
- In EAP, students are shown how to write essays and theses
- EGAP and ESAP
- Preparing students for university study in chosen disciplines
- Academic writing: based on extensive and intensive reading

Process approaches
and genre-based
approaches

Integrative
manner

Self-devised
materials and course
book materials

PROPOSED METHODOLOGY FOR TEACHING WRITING

Former
students'
competent
essays

Study and analyze
generic exemplars

Assist students in
producing
scaffolded,
independent
writing

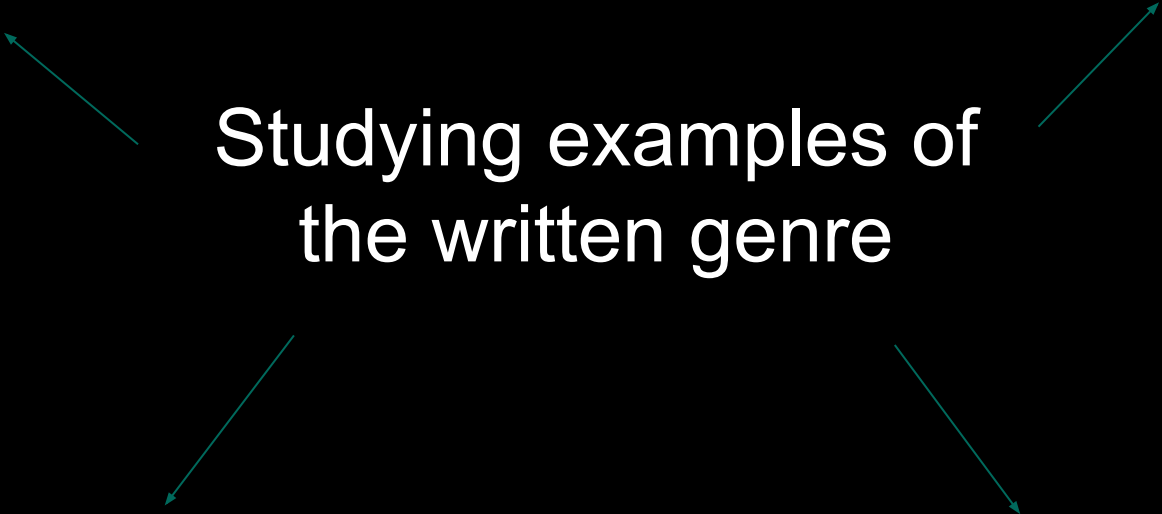
Students' research
interests and specialisms

Expose students to
competent exemplars

Studying examples of
the written genre

Target situation
needs of students

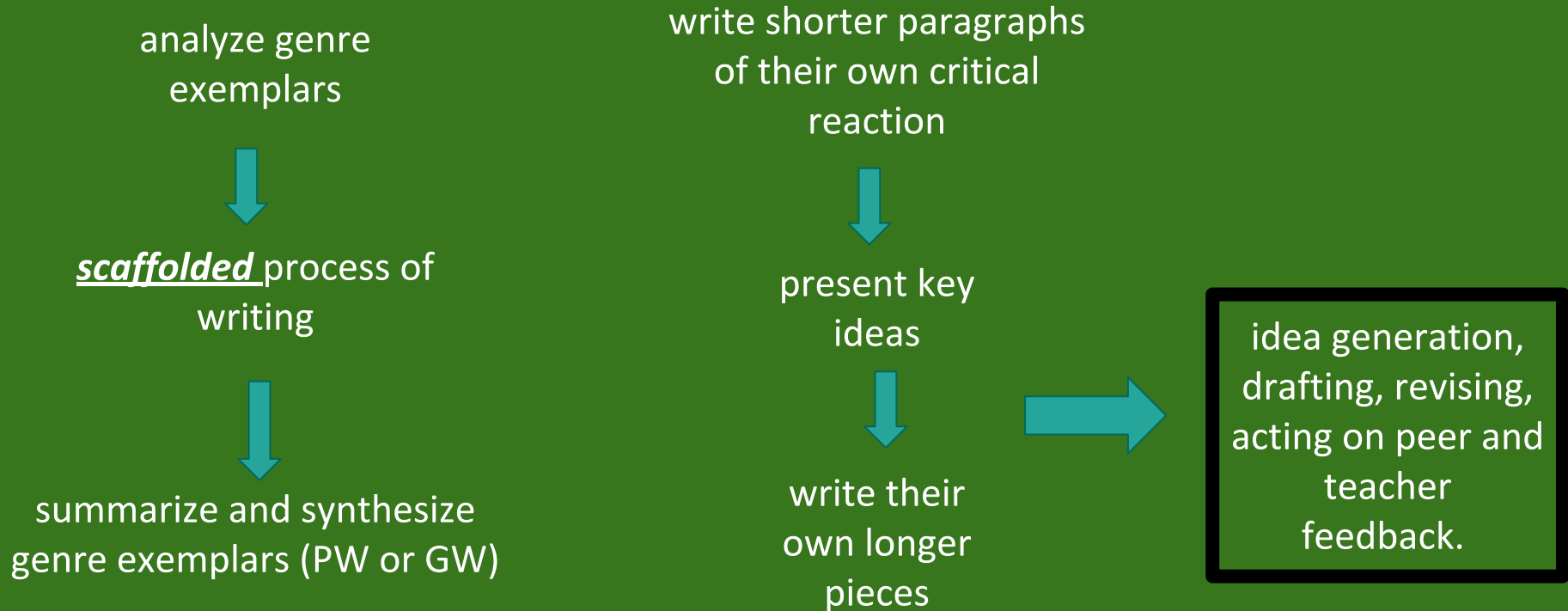
Authentic models



Rationale

- "Teachers, institutions, and students all recognize the importance of learning to write from reading input of various types" (Grabe and Zhang: 2013:10)
- "Academic tasks that required a combination of reading and writing skills [are] critical for academic success" (ibid)
- My own theses (business studies, translation topics): it was very useful to study other theses on similar subjects
- General English: In *English File*, writing sections start by analyzing genre exemplars of reports, letters, emails, etc.
- EGAP course books also use this integrated method.

Genre-based approach followed by process approach in English classes



STUDENTS' RESPONSE

- Logical
- helpful
- confidence-building

