

Other Sample Paper Work (30 min)

Introduction

We're going to read and work with this piece, which came from my class last year.

Step One

Read the first paragraph as a group, and then answer this question: on a scale of 1-10, how engaged were you in the opening of the piece I just handed you. Think about why people in your group were or were not engaged.

Step Two

Next, read the rest of the paper aloud in your group—use the outdoors if you want to, and answer these questions, in writing:

- a. What was, in your own words, the main point of the essay?
- b. What was the most memorable image from the piece?
- c. How would you describe the voice?
- d. What did you make of the ending of the piece? What's your opinion of it?
- e. What did you make of the beginning of the piece? What's your opinion of it?

Step Three

After this, we will come back together and talk about what we have read.