

## Advice Column

# problems about *writing*

- Read the problems below and discuss possible solutions.



# Ask Anita!

**Dear Anita,**

I'm studying English at college, and I enjoy my classes, especially my writing class. I make very few spelling mistakes because I always use a dictionary when I have writing homework. But my teacher says that my writing will be better if I try to be more creative. How can I get interesting ideas to write about?

**Tony**

**Dear Anita,**

How important is spelling? I make a lot of spelling mistakes in my writing and next week we have a big spelling quiz. Our teacher gave us a list of thirty words. How can I get an 'A' on this quiz? Thanks.

**Maggie**

**Dear Anita,**

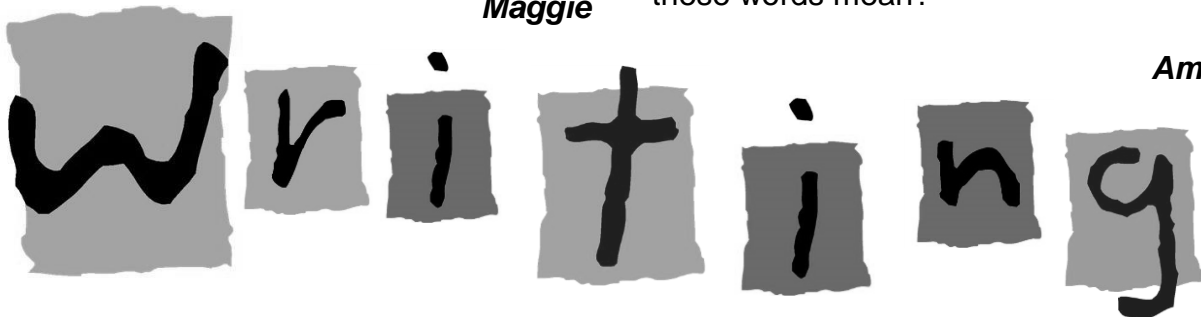
Last week I missed one of my writing classes because I was sick. The next day, I saw a big sheet of paper on the wall that said:

- (1) thesis
- (2) brainstorm
- (3) outline
- (4) first draft
- (5) margin
- (6) indent
- (7) introduction
- (8) body
- (9) conclusion
- (10) proofread
- (11) peer edit
- (12) second draft



I forgot to ask my teacher about the meaning of this, and we have a quiz on Thursday. Can you help me – what do these words mean?

**Amna**



- Compare your solutions with different classmates. Do you agree or disagree with their ideas?