The Junior Forum Quantum Writing process gives students a clear framework for organizing their approach to a writing assignment.

6-DAY PROGRAM – THE FIVE-STEP PROCESS

Step 1 – Break It Down
Look at the prompt. What type of writing is needed and what is the prompt asking?

Step 2 – Think It Through
Get ideas down on paper using Cluster It and Fastwrite It.

Step 3 – Build It Up
Choose the structure that makes the most sense for the assignment and place all of the ideas from step two into an organized frame.

Step 4 – Write It Out
Using the organized ideas from step three, Write It Out takes these ideas and turns them into a well-crafted essay.

Step 5 – Make It Shine
Tips on how to make editing easy, and what to look for in a test environment to support a polished final piece of writing.

We’re all natural writers at heart.

As young children, we were truly uninhibited writers, eager to express ourselves using vivid, creative thoughts and language. As we grew older, we became critical of our writing and began to dread having to do anything that involved putting words on paper.

What we need now is to get back in touch with that child in us who was eager to write down thoughts and ideas. And the way to do that is to not worry about the finished product when we’re just starting the process.

Stop worrying about the finished product – just start writing!

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