THREE WAYS TO WRITE

ILS3B: I can write about one topic with expository, narrative, or persuasive writing.

What's the same? What's different?

Element of Writing	Expository	Narrative	Persuasive
Focus	✓	✓	✓
Support	✓	✓	✓
Organization	✓	✓	✓
Precision	✓	✓	✓
Integration	✓	✓	✓
Purpose	To explain.	To tell an event that takes place over time.	To influence, to inspire, to change someone's opinion or attitude.
How to use the information to support your idea.	Include information that helps people understand your topic.	Include information that helps people understand what happened and when it happened.	Include information that helps people understand your position and why it is a good idea.

You can write one topic three ways.

Choose one topic.

Write about that topic all three ways.

Example: Write about a person.

- Write an expository paragraph about this person.
 Tell what the person is like, where the person lives, what the person does.
- Write a narrative essay about one of this person's experiences. Tell what the person did and why.
- Write a persuasive speech about this person.
 Tell why you think this person is important.