

# Developing Thinking Skills of Higher Education Students Through Creative Writing

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**Annotation:** The purpose of this study is to look at how to incorporate creative thinking and writing strategies in English language schools. Written discourse has been shown to be a difficult part for foreign language learners to master, and educators should look for new ways to teach it. Student-centered and self-initiated approaches for increasing writing skills are largely student-centered and self-initiated as they get more autonomy to improvise and express their ideas and perceptions freely by examining new vocabulary, grammar patterns, and linguistic strategies. In this article discusses about fact, information and some useful methods the developing thinking skills through creative writing.

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*"Thinking 'outside the box' makes you happy in all aspects of your life. You never feel like you've come to a halt; instead, you're always eager to take on new challenges. You have the ability to notice things that others are blind to." [1]*

## Introduction.

Thinking creatively entails coming up with new and unique ideas. When you think creatively, you can come up with unique answers or approaches to solve a problem that others haven't considered. To evaluate and solve a problem, creative thinking necessitates a combination of analytical, problem-solving, organizational, and communication abilities.

Using talents and soft skills to come up with fresh solutions to issues is referred to as creative thinking. Innovative thinking abilities are ways for looking at a problem from many and creative perspectives while using the appropriate tools to analyse it and design a solution.

An emphasis on creativity and innovation is crucial because most difficulties may need approaches that have never been envisaged or explored before. It is a highly valued skill for individuals, and businesses should always seek to have it among their ranks. After all, "creativity" is defined as the act of generating something new. [2].

To keep its sharpness, creative thinking, like any other ability, requires continuous exercise. To reach this goal, you must expose yourself to situations where a fresh thought is required on a regular basis and surround yourself with like-minded people. Using specific strategies, such a process can be made easier.

People who have improved their creative thinking abilities might evaluate a product or thing from a different perspective. You can develop specific skills that allow you to approach goals and difficulties with an innovative mentality even if you don't consider yourself a creative person. The drive to explore, study, go in search of answers, experiment, fail, and learn to succeed fuels the creative process. When viewed from this perspective, the teacher's responsibility in creative writing is altered from just delivering.

Knowledge to provide chances for students to take initiative and feel free to communicate their ideas, thoughts, feelings, and senses, as well as to identify knowledge gaps and work to fill them.

The creative writing process is like a journey from nothing to something. When the brain travels down new roads, creates new concepts, and generates fresh ideas, it can be a true agony and nightmare for certain people. Creativity and curiosity are inextricably linked, and educators must ignite the creative bone in their students' bodies. Here are some examples of how to improve learners' creative thinking and imaginative writing skills using gradual strategies that progress from

self-related to global challenges. During my teaching experience, I effectively introduced these creative writing projects, as well as other activities centered on novelty and a break from the classroom routine and boredom.

*You can start thinking creatively in your career by following these steps:*

1. Make a list of all the information you already have.
2. Take a look at the most obvious option or procedure.
3. Additional options should be considered.
4. Consider the connections between the various themes.
5. Make use of the solutions.

Those who believe that creativity and innovation are natural gifts should know that they are skills that can be honed with the correct instruction. Not only that, but you can also employ particular approaches to consistently provide unique ideas. It's also critical to debunk the misconception that creativity is entirely reliant on mystical inspiration. Instead, it's a result of consuming a wide range of content, being able to relate to various forms of media, and deconstructing problems to find the best solutions. This is made easy with the right kind of creative thinking.

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Besides these creative thinking techniques we presented in this chapter, there are several skills you'll need to develop to enjoy the advantages of the techniques. Some of the creativity skills may include:

- experimentation;
- opposing views;
- asking questions;
- communication;
- organization.

Because most challenges may necessitate approaches that have never been conceived or explored before, an emphasis on creativity and innovation is critical. Individually, it is a highly valued skill, and corporations should always strive to have it among their ranks. After all, the term "creativity" refers to the act of creating something new.

Creative thinking is a skill that, like any other, requires regular practice to maintain its sharpness. To reach this goal, you must expose yourself to situations where a fresh thought is required on a regular basis and surround yourself with like-minded people. Using specific strategies, such a process can be made easier.

They can help you get into the appropriate mentality and provide you the foundation you need to generate fresh ideas on the go. Creative thinking can be prompted by a variety of approaches, as you've just learnt. These are powerful ways for helping you generate new ideas, test them in various settings, and rely on the input of others to make them even more unique.

In conclusion, lateral thinking, visual reading, out-of-the-box thinking, copywriting, artistic creativity, problem-solving, analytical mind, and divergent thinking are some of the best examples of creative thinking skills. The main notion behind brainstorming is that having a large number of creative potential ideas makes it easier to choose the best one. Brainstorming provides a number of benefits that can aid in the development of your creative thinking abilities. For starters, because it is highly casual, it does not require a rigid framework to function. Professional guidance, on the other hand, can make it easier. Also, because you can use a virtual environment or enter thoughts into a shared document, the persons involved do not need to be present at the same moment. All participants must be aware of the problem that requires a creative solution and be familiar with how brainstorming works in order for it to operate properly.

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