

Defining the Writing Task

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As a _____, I am writing a _____
Writer's Role Authentic Genre/Form

to be read by _____, in order to
Authentic Audience/Readership

Focused Purpose

Additional statements a writer might try to complete before writing the piece include:

- This is important because...
- This work is needed because...
- What I am doing that is unusual (my angle) is...

Defining the Writing Task: Jenny Beasley's Model

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As a teacher who believes that Harry Potter books and movies are healthy for
Writer's Role

middle school students, I am writing an editorial
Authentic Genre/Form

to be read by parents who think Harry Potter books and movies promote evil, in
Authentic Audience/Readership

order to encourage parents to read the books and watch the movies before
Focused Purpose

passing judgment.

