

## **Your First Assignment: An “FAQ” (Frequently Asked Question) Article**

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You have just brainstormed some answers and ideas about your “frequently asked question” about grammar and teaching grammar. Your group will be responsible for an informative and well-researched piece (approximately 400-500 words), not including citations.

You will create a concise and well-supported answer to the question. It should be understandable by an audience of teachers who can then use your answer as a guide.

Your article should:

- Answer the question in detail
- Be written in an academic voice, in the mode of an encyclopedia article (short sentences, to the point; occasional bullet statements)
- Be professional and authoritative
- Be well-researched and include a works-cited that includes sources beyond the course texts. (you should use the course materials, but you will also need to go beyond them to successfully complete the project).

As a working group, you should assign research responsibilities of “things we need to find out to answer this question.” *This is your homework for the week.* You should then correspond during the week and come to class with resources ready to debate and draft. You can plan on having about 30-45 minutes of group time in next week’s class to create a draft of your article.

The article will be due to me via e-mail on *Monday, September 20*. I’ll give you more details next week. During class on *Tuesday, September 21*, you will give a brief overview of your answer and display your article for the class. These articles will be published in our “Grammar Central” website in the “Questions and Answers about Grammar” section.