

Web Sites on Writing about Literature

<http://www.utoronto.ca/writing/>

U of T's web site on writing. Contains over 60 files giving advice on writing essays. Also contains lots of information about courses and sources of extra help on writing.

<http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/>

An index to what is probably the most extensive web site on writing: The Purdue University writing web site.

<http://www2.wwnorton.com/college/english/litweb05/writing/welcome.asp>

This very complete guide to writing about literature is provided by the Norton publishing house. In-depth discussions about documentation; critical approaches; writing about the genres; and the stages of writing.

<http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/618/01/>

Purdue University's pages on writing about literature. Includes a discussion of what makes a good topic and what makes a good thesis statement.

<http://www.unc.edu/depts/wcweb/handouts/literature.html>

The University of North Carolina's page on writing about literature. Provides an eight-step guide to writing about fiction.

http://www.english.uiuc.edu/cws/wworkshop/writer_resources/writing_tips/literature_papers.htm

A concise set of guidelines from the University of Illinois emphasizing the importance of avoiding vague assertions.

<http://virgil.org/dswo/courses/poetry/poetry-paper-guidelines.htm>

A series of tips on writing about poetry that encourages you to think more deeply about how local effects serve the overall meaning of the poem..

<http://www.wisc.edu/writing/Handbook/QuoLiterature.html>

A web site specifically on integrating quotations into your essays.