Title: How to write an extended essay

The process of writing an extended essay involves several essential steps, as outlined in the provided information. An **extended essay** is a research-based piece of writing that exceeds 600 words, designed to help students familiarize themselves with the research process and prepare for university-level writing. Here is a summary of the key points with references:

- 1. **Understanding the Concept** An extended essay is a writing assignment where students are encouraged to research a specific topic, gather data, and present their analysis in the form of a lengthy essay. This process helps students become familiar with research and university-level writing (Inkelas et al., 2012; Johnson et al., 2012).
- 2. **Nine Steps for Writing an Extended Essay** The process of writing an extended essay involves nine key steps: a. Choosing a topic b. Conducting research c. Brainstorming ideas d. Outlining ideas e. Developing ideas f. Drafting g. Proofreading h. Editing i. Submitting
- 3. **Choosing a Topic** The initial step in writing an extended essay is selecting a topic. This choice is critical and should align with your interests, curiosity, and motivation. It should also be beneficial to both you and your audience (Bànhegyi & Nagy, 2020).

Before proceeding with these steps, it's important to form a group with two to five members who you can collaborate with to write and present your extended essay.

Practice

This practice involves selecting a topic from a list of possible topics related to learning and study skills. The purpose is to choose a specific topic that your study group will focus on for an extended essay, which you will write and present. Here's a breakdown of the process:

Formation of a Study Group:

You and your classmates or colleagues form a study group to work on this project together. This collaborative approach allows for different perspectives and insights.

Topic Selection: From the list of possible topics provided, your study group will collectively decide on one main theme to explore in your extended essay. This theme should be related to learning in general and study skills in particular. The list of topics encompasses a wide range of aspects related to learning and self-improvement.

Essay Writing: With the research material in hand, your group will collectively write an extended essay that explores the chosen topic in detail. This essay should include an introduction, body, and conclusion and should present a well-structured argument or analysis related to the chosen theme.

Presentation: After completing the essay, your study group will prepare a presentation based on the findings and insights from your research. This presentation could involve summarizing key points, providing examples, and highlighting the importance and implications of your chosen topic.

Discussion and Sharing: Finally, you will present your extended essay and engage in a discussion with your peers or instructors, sharing your findings and insights on the chosen topic. This allows for a deeper understanding of the subject matter and provides an opportunity for feedback and questions.

This practice encourages collaborative learning, critical thinking, and the development of research, writing, and presentation skills. It also enables you to explore and gain expertise in a specific aspect of learning and study skills that interests your study group the most.