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APPLICATION SKILLS 01

ESSAY COACHING





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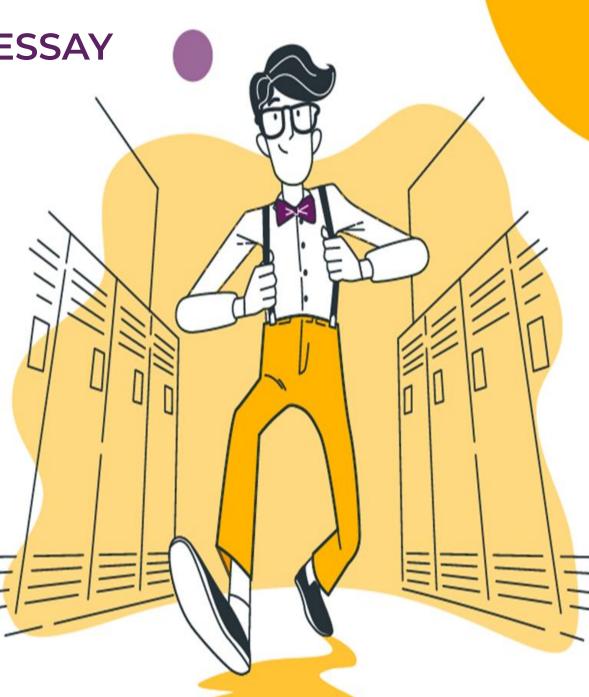
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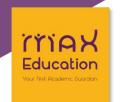


WHAT MAKES A STELLAR ESSAY

- 1. Be you. Be original.
- 2. Reveal something about yourself.
- 3. Have a point.
- 4. Highlight growth. How you learn from failure.
- Demand 100% of every word and sentence, not just every paragraph.
- Use original language, but don't over-rely on the thesaurus.
- 7. Show, don't tell!!! (Or verifiable & quantifiable)

YOU'RE UNIQUE - BE YOU!





What makes you **SPECIAL**: tone, style, structure,...



What **MESSAGE** do I convey?

- 1. Each sentence
- 2. Each paragraph



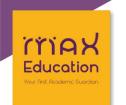


What **MESSAGE** do I convey?

- 1. Shorten/Combine: same message
- 2. Omit: wordy, off-topic



- 1. What message do I convey?
- 2. What is the tone? Is it appropriate?
- 3. If I knew nothing of the subject matter, would the essay make sense to me?
- 4. Are any of the sentences confusing or awkward sounding?
- 5. Is it interesting?
- 6. Does it sound natural?



We want to see **a slice of your life** that is **the most meaningful to you**. — Lloyd Peterson, Yale

BE UNIQUE AND BE YOU!





THE 'WHY COLLEGE' ESSAY

- Don't flatter the school. Adcom is tired of it.
- Explains how the school's unique characteristics and offerings meet your specific needs or future goals.





Be honest to share your thoughts!